

Ralph Waldo Emerson Cryptograms — Set 8

6 puzzles · Large print · answers on the last page

Every letter has been swapped for another letter. The same cipher letter always stands for the same letter, and no letter ever stands for itself. Write your answer in the blank under each letter. Answers are on the last page.

1. Clue: C = H

Medium · 50 letters

Q C K G W B F U D B T E

C W T A C F G U K T A , Q C K

D Q C K I C W T A F U C F U

K R L I K U U F D B .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

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2. Clue: A = E

Expert · 50 letters

X R A R A W J Z F M A W J

Z G W U Q W E G L N D F C

P U N G A X N X R A

G K A W Y Z F M X N F M D A .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A B C D E F G H I J K L M

N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

3. Clue: R = E

Expert · 50 letters

M B R G L A F U R L E M B R

O R T M T B H J H T F

V H U V F U W H S R L E F

B N S I D R I M F X C T .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

4. Clue: L = O

Hard · 51 letters

Z C H J L I H L D

T H E P Z N Q X F E Q R J N

Z C H J L I H L D

F H E X P G H L G

K G L K L G Z Q L R .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

5. Clue: Q = T

Hard · 51 letters

T V A Q Z A Q R L H R F V

Y Z C V Q Q Y C Q Z P Z V H

N C H A G Q Y Z W Z G Q

N C H A L Q Y Z H Z C V .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

6. Clue: U = E

Expert · 52 letters

C D U K T F G C D F E C D U

Z R C U J J U H C Z N

N S F R C I R U F P N Z R

U A U T O U M S I R N Z F R .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

Solver's cheat sheet

Most common letters

E T A O I N S H R D L U

Most common 1-letter words

A I

Most common 2-letter words

OF TO IN IT IS BE AS AT SO WE HE BY OR ON DO IF ME MY
UP AN GO NO US AM

Most common 3-letter words

THE AND FOR ARE BUT NOT YOU ALL ANY CAN HER WAS ONE
OUR OUT DAY GET HAS HIM HIS HOW MAN NEW NOW OLD SEE
TWO WAY WHO BOY DID ITS LET PUT SAY SHE TOO USE

Common double letters

LL EE SS OO TT FF RR NN PP CC

Common word endings

-ING -ION -ENT -TION -LY -ED -ER -EST

After an apostrophe

T (don't) S (it's) RE (we're) VE (I've) LL (we'll) D
(I'd)

Answer key

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1. "The man is only half himself, the other half is his expression."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, Essays: Second Series*

Cipher key: A=F B=N C=H D=O E=Y F=I G=M H=D I=R J=W K=E L=P M=Z N=C O=K P=U Q=T R=X S=B T=L
U=S V=G W=A X=J Y=Q Z=V

2. "The hearing ear is always found close to the speaking tongue."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1856, English Traits, Race (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

Cipher key: A=E B=X C=D D=U E=Y F=N G=S H=B I=J J=R K=P L=F M=G N=O O=Z P=C Q=W R=H S=V T=Q
U=L V=M W=A X=T Y=K Z=I

3. "The voyage of the best ship is a zigzag line of a hundred tacks."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, Essays: First Series*

Cipher key: A=Y B=H C=K D=R E=F F=A G=V H=I I=D J=P K=M L=O M=T N=U O=B P=W Q=X R=E S=N T=S
U=G V=Z W=L X=C Y=J Z=Q

4. "The love of beauty is mainly the love of measure or proportion."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, Essays: Second Series*

Cipher key: A=Q B=G C=H D=F E=A F=M G=R H=E I=V J=L K=P L=O M=W N=Y O=J P=U Q=I R=N S=D T=B
U=Z V=X W=C X=S Y=K Z=T

5. "Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1870, Society and Solitude, Works and Days*

Cipher key: A=I B=C C=A D=P E=G F=U G=S H=Y I=K J=X K=Q L=N M=J N=D O=F P=V Q=T R=O S=M T=W
U=Z V=R W=B X=L Y=H Z=E

6. "The growth of the intellect is spontaneous in every expansion."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, Essays: First Series*

Cipher key: A=V B=J C=T D=H E=F F=O G=W H=C I=A J=L K=G L=M M=X N=S O=Y P=U Q=D R=N S=P T=R
U=E V=B W=Q X=K Y=Z Z=I