

Ralph Waldo Emerson Cryptograms — Set 11

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: X = N

Medium · 54 letters

X W R P F X Z

O H R W X F H P A H N A X H W

N C J P O H

J W N N W X - H A X H A O X U

Y S O F X U A O S F X Z .

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
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

2. Clue: X = I

Medium · 54 letters

J X I C X A L T O L Z A

U Q X K V X K V J B C

F S S L A X F K A J B L J

R X A S T F A C J B C X Q

Y L T D C .

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: I = E

Medium · 54 letters

B I T W N I F T I L W K I

P I I J F Y A Y K K W P J W

N E I B Y U F T I

S I H E Q E Y P Y U F T I

B Y S H J .

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: D = E

Medium · 54 letters

F W U B E D X V E D T

F U K W J A U B X X V F I

I J O O Q U W J K I ,

I D D L I X W O A D E V F Q

D O W J A U .

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: C = E

Expert · 55 letters

Z E C N C O K C X C L V T C

E A X O C C Z R Q , I S C R

U C V M I N Z O Z I O A K R

C P Y M O C E A X U C Z R Q .

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: H = E

Expert · 55 letters

S H O K X B I H D H F A

X K X Z N Y N R K X R U B C H

W H Y H Z B N R G X R U B C H

H Q H O H G B R U B N O H .

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. "Nothing astonishes men so much as common-sense and plain dealing."

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

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

2. "Time is always bringing the occasions that disclose their value."

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

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

3. "We have the same need to command a view of the religion of the world."

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

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

4. "To have lived through all its sunny hours, seems longevity enough."

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

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

5. "If eyes were made for seeing, Then Beauty is its own excuse for being."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1847, Poems, The Rhodora (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "We must be very suspicious of the deceptions of the element of time."

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

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