

Ralph Waldo Emerson Cryptograms — Set 15

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: T = E

Medium · 61 letters

W N T F T B V Y

F T X Y W B S E C T W L T T E

W N T N S H F V S A S H F

X B A T Y E K W N T

Q T E W H F B T V S A

W B O 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

2. Clue: S = E

Medium · 61 letters

Y O S Z T F L K S E B K W

Z D M Q K Y R S Q P

M Q K Y R S ; Y O S Z T F L

E B L Y Z O B M S B

D K Q S T W Q P Y Z C S

Z T S .

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: A = E

Medium · 61 letters

O A N B J M A N P Z X A Z

W P A Z X S A Z F B K

J B J M A J M A I A N Z T M A

D X O Z M Z F F B O A S I C

W P A Z X H A 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: A = O

Hard · 61 letters

K F K R W K R Y B N Z Q X P C

F A X C V F A Q E Q S F R

X A B Z A S X K B L N F K A S

A X A P B F B P F J N S W

I A B F 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

5. Clue: S = E

Medium · 61 letters

E U X M X A S Q S V G L A

X G Y B S Q V L Q B S T P

L Z Y B S N X A U ; E

Z V X S A U X G Y B S

B L Q S L Z Y B S B S E V Y .

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: J = T

Medium · 62 letters

J M K S K R J H D

M H R A N J W P N J O W T Q

H D Y K T K X H R N J O N R

W P R H T H J N T J M K

B N P P , S Z J N T D W J K .

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. "There is a relation between the hours of our life and the centuries of time."

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

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

2. "The only reward of virtue is virtue; the only way to have a friend is to be one."

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

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

3. "We consecrate a great deal of nonsense because it was allowed by great men."

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

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

4. "It is disgraceful to fly to events for confirmation of our truth and worth."

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

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

5. "A divine person is the prophecy of the mind; a friend is the hope of the heart."

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

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

6. "The best of hospitality and of generosity is also not in the will, but in fate."

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

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