

Ralph Waldo Emerson Cryptograms — Set 26

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: H = E

Medium · 92 letters

Z O H T C Y B M , Z O H

Z W H H , Z O H Z B W E ,

Z O H D R W M F W H Q Y Z

Z O H R W V , O F L H

Q Y Z O R Q S Y E Z O H P ;

Z O H A Y W C M R V Y Q C N

Z O H R W C Y M S R Q S F Q M

Z F D C 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

2. Clue: F = I

Easy · 94 letters

W C X X E F Y Q

S X O Y F Y H D O S U F Y

H Q D Q X N Z X N E F O X C

E F H H E D P F O B Y,

W B X A D B N U E F H H E D

Y H W H D Y P D O W O B

V Q F E X Y X V Q D A Y W O B

B F I F O D 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

3. Clue: Y = I

Medium · 94 letters

Y X U P T N Y H S Q T E C H

J Q C H U P Y E N T Q X

Y H R F E Y U C A Q K F H

P Y N Y H N U Y H G U N ,

C H R U P T I T C A Y R T ,

U P T P V S T Z F I Q R

Z Y Q Q G F E T I F V H R

U F P Y E .

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 = E

Medium · 94 letters

A Y A H X R Z M V Z D C L K

J Z Z C K I H C P

F L J A Z L A V C F

N J Y J Z A N G X K Q A

U H A F A Z K J W A Z K M D

F M W A G M N X, G A D M H A

J K V C F C L K I C P P X

Y A H J D J A N .

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: B = E

Medium · 94 letters

A B Y X F D S M X L D M Q

O H S O B P L J Q D U M P Y,

D M A O H Z O A B Q P B

Q J A Q N F H V W H D B C D M

Q F Z B V C; D O B P B, D O B

A O M J B Q F L B Z D M U

D O H V S F Z O Q V S B F.

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: X = I

Hard · 95 letters

X L B R P W X C X I B R P O

L O X U Z M , H K B Z U U M

B R P Q A R E R J X F U L R O

Z R I K Q W X Z J

W X C X I U M K X T , Q Z M

H Q C I U K X C I X T U

Q Z M M U L Q D U B R P O

R H Z Q D I ?

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 cloud, the tree, the turf, the bird are not theirs, have nothing of them; the world is only their lodging and table."

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

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

2. "A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds, adored by little statesmen and philosophers and divines."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, Essays: First Series, Self-Reliance (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "If the single man plant himself indomitably on his instincts, and there abide, the huge world will come round to him."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1836, Nature, Addresses and Lectures. The American Scholar (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Every known fact in natural science was divined by the presentiment of somebody, before it was actually verified."

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

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

5. "We must go up to a higher platform, to which we are always invited to ascend; there, the whole aspect of things changes."

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

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

6. "If you visit your friend, why need you apologize for not having visited him, and waste his time and deface your own act?"

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

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