

Expert Cryptograms — Set 14

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: Y = E

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G M Y W B M Y P L D

I N Y K T M Y A , B K E Y

T K N Y L P

Q L F N A Y C X Y A , M Y W 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

2. Clue: D = T

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D B J X U D F O

D N J X U B J N S W L

R W M J C , H G D P F D B J

D B X D C F J L W D .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

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

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N S J A K O F G R A D F U Y J

A G A W F J K L F B W F V F

A W F Q S V J F Q S D D 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: S = H

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Z Y T R S N K V X W

F Y O E S H B Y J H S J D R N

H S N D J T N D E S H D Z

E Y X G .

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: F = E

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B F F E F V Y F S R C L W F Z

V E R G U B V E M T F A

T V K F V U A

P F V M T F 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

6. Clue: W = E

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A W O A Q O R G O R

Q X H P L C W W N R, T D O R

Y G Y W R E A W P A W

Y J W Q R W 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 wordsOF 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 apostropheT (don't) S (it's) RE (we're) VE (I've) LL (we'll) D
(I'd)

Answer key

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1. "When the fox preaches, take care of yourselves, hens."

— Italian proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

2. "The act of treachery is liked, but not he that does it."

— Spanish proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

3. "Justice oft leans to the side where the purse pulls."

— Danish proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

4. "Now cheaply bought for thrice their weight in gold."

— John Ferriar, 1798, *Illustrations of Sterne, Bibliomania. Line 65* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Geese are plucked as long as they have any feathers."

— Dutch proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

6. "He that sits among reeds, cuts pipes when he pleases."

— German proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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