

Expert Cryptograms — Set 19

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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: L = H

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L X S L R L C M R V G X

J W P V Y L E M A R W Y L ,

C F S C B M J F R S M L E M

M R W 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: N = E

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O N Z F J A I W X N G N D

Z P H X W A K J X

V N D N B J X U O R P F

Z R X V N D R P 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

3. Clue: B = R

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Z T B H Z T G W B V J I

W O P D Z B R Q ; Z T B

H Z T G W B V E P G N B P

E N G A J G 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

4. Clue: Z = N

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C P C M U T N Z E F I B W K

G C D I Z L C Z L L I

T S Z K F S E I V Z

G B E S Z C E 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

5. Clue: X = O

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K Y Z V X P I U M H N X V F

T X V X H, X P I A Z U I F

T X C U B Z P F

H I U N H X I 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: L = E

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P Y G L M A C E C U U

W A L D K P Z A L E , W A L D

K V J U E Q L V Y W L M

S J P M L 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

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. "He who has once burnt his mouth, always blows his soup."

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

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

2. "We should never stand upon ceremony with sincerity."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1854, Walden*

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

3. "Our country is the world; our countrymen are mankind."

— *William Lloyd Garrison, 1831, Motto of the Liberator, Vol. I. No. 1, 1831 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Every man should be content to mind his own business."

— *Aesop, 1867, Aesop's Fables (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)*

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

5. "When our actions do not, Our fears do make us traitors."

— *William Shakespeare, 1606, Macbeth, Act IV. Sc. 2 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "If men had all they wished, they would be often ruined."

— *Aesop, 1867, Aesop's Fables (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)*

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