

Expert Cryptograms — Set 23

6 puzzles · Standard 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: B = T

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E B E O Z H B B S Q F H Z T

J W G , X D B B S Q S Q W V B

B S W B J H Q O B S Q C H V 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

2. Clue: P = S

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K F P N Z S B E H S P S P

H K F Y Z S P P C L H , S D D

I D S V Z C H S P K F P U L D D .

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: S = T

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O Q M K T U T M S S K T S

F I Q X O S K Z A X T M Z T U W

F I Q O K Y H R Y W Z O S 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

4. Clue: J = E

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V J I V F G H J R F A U V J

W N F M A O T M R U J L S J X U U F

E J U N F O O J A F 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

5. Clue: G = O

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X J X C Z A D O V E O V A O P X

R G P X T A G D O P , S D G

I V G S T D G S A G S W O 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

6. Clue: G = E

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I H U K C H U C P P B N G L O I M

K C E G D B G M A Z , - N G H I A G

M B Q G Q B A H P B .

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 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. "It is not the long day, but the heart that does the work."

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

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

2. "His beard was as white as snow, All flaxen was his poll."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet*, Act IV. Sc. 5 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Such an act that blurs the grace and blush of modesty."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet*, Act III. Sc. 4 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "He who lies on the ground must expect to be trodden on."

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

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

5. "Everything in time comes to him, who knows how to wait."

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

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

6. "Angling is somewhat like poetry, - men are to be born so."

— Izaak Walton, 1653, *The Complete Angler*, Part I. Chap. 1 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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