

Expert Cryptograms — Set 30

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: C = T

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C Z Q J I X C Z L C S N V F Y

L Y Z Q Y N Y T I C C I D Q

C A M Y C Q J H N C Z O S I M 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: M = T

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C R S A R M X M X Z S R P M Q L

I Z K Y P , B Y K I L E R M P M X Z

P X K C Z Q L O Q A Z 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: U = T

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U M O X E R F W S T U M O

D U X L J T M W C O U M O V O D U

P I J U J S U M J D Q P H R 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

4. Clue: N = E

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L O N F N K Y A P H Q X K A Z

J Q A S Q X N Y R K L O P E L

D F N Q X K A Z L O N N Z Z 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

5. Clue: O = A

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G O Q L X O E Q A F , C H I E L H W
K O Z Z O Q Z N Y A R O C H G
F N O L S A E W A H W X 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: X = A

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F X A F E D C W S Z F N X O L
T D E A U X S F G O M X G O , X A
T G D W F O L X O S T D G 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

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 dog that licks ashes is not to be trusted with flour."

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

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

2. "Dim with the mist of years, gray flits the shade of power."

— Lord Byron, 1812, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage, Canto II, Stanza 2* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

3. "The ugly and the stupid have the best of it in this world."

— Oscar Wilde, 1891, *The Picture of Dorian Gray*

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

4. "There is no making pancakes without breaking the eggs."

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

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

5. "Fair ladies, you drop manna in the way of starved people."

— William Shakespeare, 1597, *The Merchant of Venice, Act V. Sc. 1* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

6. "Ease would recant Vows made in pain, as violent and void."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost, Book IV. Line 96* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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