

Expert Cryptograms — Set 34

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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: X = E

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U H V S K U F K B X D B K X C

V S D U V S X

X I Z X U M K V O C X H J

Z O Y W K L N H U X 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

2. Clue: G = A

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T N R Q G T Z G M W U T

J G M K H N K C B H F G O

Q G T J G M E T N R U T

G W Z K T N W S 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

3. Clue: G = E

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A Q G Z G Y Z G V E U G

F G D G Y A V U E Z G

A Z S R U I Q Y K A A Q Y K

X S N A E Z S G V .

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: M = H

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M G D B T H Y M B Y M T L S

O T Y M U B W Y M B Q H

Y M W Y D B Q F M B H T L

Y M B H G X V .

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: L = I

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Y J Q Z L P A L I

P Q L M M A Q A T G S G B U B

T A M G L Z . I L V O Z L P B ,

I L V O Z L 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

6. Clue: K = L

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V T X A X H G K V H Y R

K E R X Z A X

G P Q Z K Q G K Z V X F Z P F

G P Q Z K Q G K Z D K X .

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. "Nothing is easier than the expenditure of public money."

— Calvin Coolidge, 1926, *State of the Union Address*

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

2. "You may gain by fair words what may fail you by angry ones."

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

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

3. "There are some defeats more triumphant than victories."

— Michel de Montaigne, 1580, *Essays, Book I, Chap. XXX. Of Cannibals (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul."

— Emily Dickinson, 1891, *Poems, Second Series*

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

5. "Our life is frittered away by detail. Simplify, simplify."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

6. "The results of life are uncalculated and uncalculable."

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

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