

Expert Cryptograms — Set 37

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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: Y = O

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B O B K Y I Z W

K T N Z Z Y R C P Y C Z P

R T Y S Y I Y O U Q S E P

H W N C C P N M N I V P K .

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: K = E

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N L K R C B - E X W L D R F K B

V K W U K P N E R V N L K

S R J F H D W E X W N

B S D F H R J N .

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: Q = T

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Q N U M N X T J U F Q H Z Q

F Q Y A Q N U A Y B U ,

Q N Z G P N Y Q F Q Y B L F

Q Z Q N U O Z 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: Y = T

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C Y C B C J G R C J Y L

D K R F Y S K L N Y L Y S K

I R Y K T C V S K C B J L Y

Y S C T B Y O .

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 = T

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O G I U E K F I A C I E O

F M O G L F W X Y O O G I L V

H K X M Y V D M V O G I L V

C K L F 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

6. Clue: Y = E

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T E O R U D Y I I G H Q D N

W Y E Y D B O R N O L Z C Y

T G Y E Y I W O D Y I G Z J Y

K Y Y 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 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. "It is only shallow people who do not judge by appearances."

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

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

2. "The old-fashioned respect for the young is fast dying out."

— Oscar Wilde, 1895, *The Importance of Being Earnest*

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

3. "They had best not stir the rice, though it sticks to the pot."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1615, *Don Quixote, Part II, Chap. XXXVII* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed.*, 1891)

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

4. "It is in vain to lead the ox to the water if he is not thirsty."

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

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

5. "They can expect nothing but their labour for their pains."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1605, *Don Quixote, Part I, Don Quixote. The Author's Preface* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed.*, 1891)

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

6. "Wrinkles should merely indicate where smiles have been."

— Mark Twain, 1897, *Following the Equator*

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