

Expert Cryptograms — Set 78

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 = E

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R U G Q U J O B R U A Z D G U

S U N B X D V I Y V R J

J B S B R G P O K V G D ; D V I

V R G B P P B S G V I

V Y F X U F B X P O B C F U I B J .

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: T = E

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O Y T E H R X T P ' E O A K F Y ,

 Y A G T S U K R E R O T V Q D R W T !

 D T T V E I O T I F Y O Y P T I X ,

 I W X V R L T E I V A W N O Y T

 V 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

3. Clue: D = O

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Z D P O E D U U O C D T C , D C

 Z N U Y A Z D E X O Y U C G C W

 B D Q O , Y C B Q K G C S Q K O V

 W U D T G P P D U Q Y X Y Z Q K O V

 I H D Q 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

4. Clue: G = E

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M A C X E F M G Y G D F G Z L
 I X C G , Y M X D G Y G A T M F N
 D G L D G E O X Y D A L E A F
 Y X Z I D B L I M G B W G L O N
 G O X J P G L K G .

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: Q = I

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N H X Z O J K Q Y Q S J X G B
 L P Q S W , Y W B J K Q Y Q S J
 X G B M Y X F , E Q G M H W ,
 E Q G M H W , E Q G M H W , F T V
 S P X S E Q G M H W E X 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: O = E

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B I A H R O I R D O E O W I B O

E U Y X G K R H H P G I K C P

P U T Z Y C Z Y T O A H O Q H I I

P O U T Z D L Z Y H P O R G I A O

I V D Z V 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

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. "Not body enough to cover his mind decently with; his intellect is improperly exposed."

— Sydney Smith, 1855, *Lady Holland's Memoir of the Reverend Sydney Smith*, Vol. I. p. 258 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "The spider's touch, how exquisitely fine! Feels at each thread, and lives along the line."

— Alexander Pope, 1734, *An Essay on Man*, Epistle I. Line 217 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Some for renown, on scraps of learning dote, And think they grow immortal as they quote."

— Edward Young, 1728, *Love of Fame, the Universal Passion*, Satire I. Line 89 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Him of the western dome, whose weighty sense Flows in fit words and heavenly eloquence."

— John Dryden, 1681, *Absalom and Achitophel*, Part I. Line 868 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Black spirits and white, red spirits and gray, Mingle, mingle, mingle, you that mingle may."

— Thomas Middleton, 1616, *The Witch*, Act V. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "Most people become bankrupt through having invested too heavily in the prose of life."

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

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