

Francois de La Rochefoucauld Cryptograms — Set 2

6 puzzles · Large 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: V = T

Hard · 46 letters

V T A B A H D O B A M V A B

S M Y H V E M Y J

X M U B H X A H Y V M D V A

V T M Y H Y P H 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

2. Clue: J = R

Medium · 47 letters

E P P B I R A A L J X R A B

T P S D K L A L X X R J L

T J P T L J C P J R S S

K Y L H P J 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: X = S

Expert · 48 letters

X D S U A G U D X Q N U

P U X Q F U X Z S J U L Z F

N D T R N Z V D X Q F E X Q X

N D T X U S L .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

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

Hard · 48 letters

K B W B B V L M B T Q B M

S A M Q R B P Q D

P R P Q T A W L D D V Q G T W

B S A O J D M Q R W 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

5. Clue: J = O

Expert · 50 letters

A V E S S U Q O Z J V Q T

I J D Q E O D Q J I B Y G

D M U G E V Q D Z E O

J I Q K J I J I U O Y T U .

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: H = I

Medium · 51 letters

G T D F D H E O F D M G

M Y H Q H G N H P

R P Z K H P O T Z K G Z

U Z P U D M Q Z P D ' E

M Y H Q H G 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

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. "There is greater vanity and caprice in taste than in wit."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1871, Reflections; or Sentences and Moral Maxims (J. Hain Friswell translation, 1871)*

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

2. "Good manners and politeness are proper for all the world."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1871, Reflections; or Sentences and Moral Maxims (J. Hain Friswell translation, 1871)*

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

3. "Silence is the best resolve for him who distrusts himself."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 79 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "We need greater virtues to sustain good than evil fortune."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 25 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "Quarrels would not last long if the fault was only on one side."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 496 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "There is great ability in knowing how to conceal one's ability."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 245 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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