

# Francois de La Rochefoucauld Cryptograms — Set 5

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: P = E

Expert · 58 letters

M V G P U X Z P Q J U Q C P

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H E X J M J , T E Q D E

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P Z P V N A X S N M I U C J

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I A X G M I K S R P T

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E I Z P J P P K .

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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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2. Clue: H = E

Expert · 59 letters

A E H A Q N H O M L A T G H

F H J H B D H F B K A T

A E B R Y T R H K H V C

X T Q H Y R T O B R Z A E M R

T A E H Q 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

3. Clue: H = E

Easy · 62 letters

**O H P F H B Z U H T**

**H T D P D H V W T P T H O**

**X F B Z H C C W B T Z B F**

**O M W A M T P U I F H M P C**

**T B U P V P X U H V I C .**

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

|          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>A</b> | <b>B</b> | <b>C</b> | <b>D</b> | <b>E</b> | <b>F</b> | <b>G</b> | <b>H</b> | <b>I</b> | <b>J</b> | <b>K</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>M</b> |
| <b>N</b> | <b>O</b> | <b>P</b> | <b>Q</b> | <b>R</b> | <b>S</b> | <b>T</b> | <b>U</b> | <b>V</b> | <b>W</b> | <b>X</b> | <b>Y</b> | <b>Z</b> |

4. Clue: A = E

Hard · 62 letters

**Z A B S Z B U J S P N A**

**R X E J A Z X E B T K P Y A**

**M J ; Z A T E D E R**

**B S Z B U J S P N A R X E J A**

**Z X E K Z A B T K P Y A .**

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

|          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>A</b> | <b>B</b> | <b>C</b> | <b>D</b> | <b>E</b> | <b>F</b> | <b>G</b> | <b>H</b> | <b>I</b> | <b>J</b> | <b>K</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>M</b> |
| <b>N</b> | <b>O</b> | <b>P</b> | <b>Q</b> | <b>R</b> | <b>S</b> | <b>T</b> | <b>U</b> | <b>V</b> | <b>W</b> | <b>X</b> | <b>Y</b> | <b>Z</b> |

5. Clue: L = E

Expert · 63 letters

**B M J L T H P T L X L J L T**

**Z N T L K M U L P R Y**

**M Z Y L T, Z Y M F D Y**

**Z Y L C P B S P C H H I L P A**

**M U Z Y L O H L B J L H .**

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

|          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>A</b> | <b>B</b> | <b>C</b> | <b>D</b> | <b>E</b> | <b>F</b> | <b>G</b> | <b>H</b> | <b>I</b> | <b>J</b> | <b>K</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>M</b> |
| <b>N</b> | <b>O</b> | <b>P</b> | <b>Q</b> | <b>R</b> | <b>S</b> | <b>T</b> | <b>U</b> | <b>V</b> | <b>W</b> | <b>X</b> | <b>Y</b> | <b>Z</b> |

6. Clue: F = E

Hard · 65 letters

F K F T P Z O F Q F F B Q X Z

L A O E M A Q W J F C Q N T F

C O E M A Q C E K C O X C U F

C X X M F F S W F O Q F Z L

Z X M F T 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 |

### 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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### Francois de La Rochefoucauld Cryptograms — Set 5

1. "True love is like ghosts, which everybody talks about and few have seen."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 76 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "The true way to be deceived is to think oneself more knowing than others."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 127 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "We are often engaged in a new profession for which nature has not adapted us."

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

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

4. "We always like those who admire us; we do not always like those whom we admire."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 294 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "Lovers are never tired of each other, though they always speak of themselves."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 312 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "Everyone seeks to find his pleasure and his advantage at the expense of others."

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

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