

Francois de La Rochefoucauld Cryptograms — Set 7

5 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: Z = E

Expert · 69 letters

B N Z T W U Z W I F J P B S Q Z

S P P S R O T L , S M B N Z

R Y F W V S B L W I R Z M , B N Z

I Z Y V W I P J I I Z V S M X

S M F J P B S Q Z .

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: C = N

Hard · 71 letters

X P I W L A K T C P F P U I D M

D C M J W Q C V X Q J W D C D Q U

L N D A J W L U Q J M, C L U

I W L X D C M I A Z P U Q L U Q J M

L N B Q C 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: N = A

Medium · 71 letters

K U K O H D O O K V Y X U D

J N T X N O X B K D Z O U Z B P

D G C K P A, N P A M X U U D

U N Y R H Y X N O N P U Y M N P A

W J X X B G Z Y Y M.

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: X = E

Medium · 73 letters

T E T Q Z P J Q P Z X J P M R
 I S J X W S M X Q E E S E X K K
 M S E W T M V E W P M E S H X
 Q T K X M E B W X M B X W P O X
 H X V C M E S E X K 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

5. Clue: X = E

Easy · 76 letters

K O X M F X G C T A X W R F W B X
 V C V E F W B V E D . H X G A X
 O G M M V X A V E K O X
 M G C C V W E H X R X X F K O G E
 V E K O G K H X V E C M V A 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 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. "The love of justice is simply, in the majority of men, the fear of suffering injustice."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 78 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "We should never say anything with an air of authority, nor show any superiority of mind."

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

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

3. "It is possible to have a serious turn of mind, and yet to talk pleasantly and cheerfully."

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

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

4. "It is far safer and more honest to tell nothing than to be silent when we have begun to tell."

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

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

5. "The pleasure of love is in loving. We are happier in the passion we feel than in that we inspire."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 259 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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