

Francois de La Rochefoucauld Cryptograms — Set 9

5 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: M = E

Medium · 98 letters

U M Q B V H F X E D V P X

K E I - K M Z W B M X

M Y T I M Q Q P V G Q ,

M Y T I M Q Q P V G Q B E I X

V I K V I W M X , E G X

G M D M I F M Z Z B M

U V I X Q N M S I E G X M I

Z B E G Z B M L E Z Z M I .

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: V = O

Easy · 100 letters

Q W G J V S X A G V

F W L A W F P I F W W

K V L G W L Z , Z J P Z O L

I V X X V Q O L T Z J W

V B O L O V L V I V S F

I F O W L A G Z J W U

G J V S X A E W X O W R W

Z J P Z Z J W U I V X X V Q

V S F 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

3. Clue: I = E

Medium · 101 letters

U I Y K B A W C Q P W Z B V

Y A M L I J Q Y Q K P Q

J B T J I D T Q K I N, M A Q

B T W E Y B V P D P Y

Q K I E W X Z I, P T C U I

Y K B A W C Q P Z I O D I P Q

J P D I U K I D I U I

C D P U Q K I W X T I.

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: V = E

Medium · 102 letters

C W C T L Q J H V F S X T

W S T V V G W S I V

Q Z Y Q M T W N V Z V Q L V F

S D W N V

P S J A V F T Q W C S J , Q J L

W S E X T N Q H S S L

Q F H X U V J W W S S

N Q F L , Y N V J Y V N Q A V

D S X J L S J 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

5. Clue: W = E

Medium · 105 letters

R S W C W F K Y U Y F C

N S F I S O W E X U L K R X

R S W D F L G C W Y U J

R Y E W U R K X D W Y I S

F U J F Q F J G Y E ; N W

Y E N Y T K E X K W F R

N S W U N W Y O Y U J X U

F R R X Y K K G V W

Y U X R S W C .

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. "We should avoid far-fetched expressions, expressions hard or forced, and never let the words be grander than the matter."

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

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

2. "We should so render a free consent, that in following the opinion of our friends they should believe that they follow ours."

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

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

3. "We should talk of subjects that concern them, but only so far as they like, and we should take great care where we draw the line."

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

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

4. "It is dangerous to seek to be always the leader of the conversation, and to push a good argument too hard, when we have found one."

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

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

5. "There is an air which belongs to the figure and talents of each individual; we always lose it when we abandon it to assume another."

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

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