

Friendship Cryptograms — Set 4

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: S = A

Medium · 42 letters

S J S M C V L W P Z

S P G S F C V S I D S M

L X X W A S K O L M L Y

C L J D N O M 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: I = O

Expert · 42 letters

R I C U J Z Z S I B K V

Z I P V M J N R I C

B G J S W I N R I C E X V Z N

Y Z I S 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

3. Clue: M = I

Hard · 42 letters

Q I P G T N N F J I P P D

M L Y X J V M G T ,

Z D M P G F L Q M Y Y C P

R X J V M G 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

4. Clue: A = E

Expert · 42 letters

F A M F G W O J Y A I

Q A X M A A U X M G

V P C A U J I D G I A I G U A

G V X F A 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

5. Clue: G = T

Hard · 42 letters

L P G W Q L G W P H R T I Q ,
G W P H O T H Q S , G W P H
J P O Q , B N I Q O Q
G L Z G W .

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: R = O

Expert · 42 letters

S F S T B L A Y W S Z I F R

P Z H F R W R Q L L Q L H

F O R T L C O R E R

C I R H 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. "A man should always have an occupation of some kind."

— Oscar Wilde, 1895, *The Importance of Being Earnest*

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

2. "You will not be loved if you think of yourself alone."

— Italian proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

3. "When good cheer is lacking, friends will be packing."

— English proverb, 1859, Recorded in Walter K. Kelly, *Proverbs of All Nations, Compared, Explained, and Illustrated* (London, 1859)

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

4. "He who judges between two friends loses one of them."

— French proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

5. "Rather than love, than money, than fame, give me truth."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

6. "It is peculiar to man to love even those who do wrong."

— Marcus Aurelius, 1862, *Meditations* (George Long translation, 1862)

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