

Friendship Cryptograms — Set 13

6 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 = S

Easy · 53 letters

C Y W C D W W N P Z W Z D

B D J W C S Y Z Z B N J Y R M , C D Z

D F V V M E J W R Y Z Z

D F D J R Z W C J H .

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: H = A

Hard · 53 letters

P H K K S B D C A H C V H P F O L Q

B X S B D U X U O Z L I Y ? H

R K H Q D Z D R B L Y D P A

V H P F O L 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

3. Clue: G = E

Medium · 53 letters

I C G N E J G H R B C J V S N

Q E G O I A G H J B Y J M G I C G

B C O R S X S N O L T B C , B S S H

Q S H 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

4. Clue: X = E

Hard · 53 letters

D S E P T X B B X B P C H X ,

A L M V X U E C Y M P S T , V U Y X

M C Y U R X C K D Y A S O

C K K M G U E O 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

5. Clue: F = E

Medium · 53 letters

P S F X L A F L M L X V Z F V M

G H D S , S F T X I P M

X F H V S F G G F C L V H I X M

X I G E G H F X J 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

6. Clue: D = N

Medium · 54 letters

K P D S P F V K H , . . . R J L K P

T P N T H O V D D V D O O J H P F

R J V H D N A I V Q A I P G H

A Q J Z D O Z 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

Answer key

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1. "He that trusts a faithless friend, has a good witness against him."

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

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

2. "Call you that backing of your friends? A plague upon such backing!"

— William Shakespeare, 1597, *King Henry IV, Part I, Act II. Sc. 4* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "The friendship of great men is like the shadow of a bush, soon gone."

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

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

4. "Hail wedded love, mysterious law, true source of human offspring."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book IV. Line 750 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "When a peasant gets rich, he knows neither relations nor friends."

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

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

6. "Many a time, . . . from a bad beginning great friendships have sprung up."

— Terence, 161 BC, *Eunuchus*, Act V. Sc. 2, 34. (873) (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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