

Friendship Cryptograms — Set 14

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: I = E

Hard · 54 letters

P G I Y H J I L G H D G

A I C U M Z H R I Z C O

M I W Z M O Z R

R X D D I R R J X Y H R Q X P

B C I V H C O .

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: N = E

Hard · 54 letters

B T T P A P B L I ,

P F F B A N F W ,

I P F A N D N , B T N X N D K

T D P N F Y M N I I F V H N

W Q N T D P N F Y .

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: L = E

Expert · 54 letters

O L E E L M U D H L

N M Y L V T F Y V E U L

A D M G L E - K Z D I L E U D V

A W V L J Y V J W Q M

I W N N L 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: P = E

Medium · 54 letters

I T X M L W M Q , S I Z

T M X W P L ' T I A P

R H S W G , G C P V I E P Z

I S O P M R G D W

Z P Q P Q O P Z D P 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

5. Clue: J = O

Hard · 55 letters

P J X P L W H X J N I J V F
G L P F L N O F J Y I J V F
O F K L X A , J F I J V
A L G L F Q L N J H J G L
S K Y .

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: L = E

Hard · 55 letters

C L K O F Y L L R L T

T Z Y Q C X X C L E L T X

D B D K , B Z K F Z A L K T

F Z A L X C L E L T X L K I

T X D 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

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 life which men praise and regard as successful is but one kind."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

2. "Officious, innocent, sincere, Of every friendless name the friend."

— Samuel Johnson, 1783, *On the Death of Dr. Robert Levet, Verses on the Death of Mr. Robert Levet.*

Stanza 2 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Better have friends in the market-place than money in your coffer."

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

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

4. "Old as I am, for ladies' love unfit, The power of beauty I remember yet."

— John Dryden, 1700, *Cymon and Iphigenia, Line 1 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "Conceal not your secret from your friend, or you deserve to lose him."

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

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

6. "Her blue eyes sought the west afar, For lovers love the western star."

— Sir Walter Scott, 1805, *The Lay of the Last Minstrel, Canto III. Stanza 24 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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