

Friendship Cryptograms — Set 16

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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: L = T

Medium · 56 letters

P R L P W L F W U L H

Q M U R C , Q R W U H , W U V

Z M U L R U L S H

F S L P M X L L P I R R

O M M V K I S R U V 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: K = O

Expert · 56 letters

N G K Q K P J T G D T

N K C M H L X M L K N T E K

T O H C J , R H B Q D P J

H L X U Q K Y C D T G

H L B N G J C J .

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: D = O

Expert · 56 letters

I S D T V H U J S C J

T C F J B D H D Q M S B

E Q B E T R W V , S R J C H

S C J S V R A B H D T D K V

D G G R W 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

4. Clue: H = O

Medium · 56 letters

L H H L C J W L S C W

Q B E C L F E Q T H I

G L H Y L H O Y Z C O Z C B

O H O B I V O H B

F E V O B I V O Z E D .

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

Expert · 56 letters

T U L F H P D D K G D N H P

K G L F O G I N

Z B U F I M X , G I M

J F C U F L F D K G D N H P

K G L F J P D Z 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

6. Clue: S = I

Medium · 57 letters

S X Z K X Y F S H

W E A X P K U H Y S E E C G A

Q S X P , - D E E Y F S X J

Y F K S U E S Y Y E K H K Y

Z D X J S X P .

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. "He that wants money, means, and content is without three good friends."

— William Shakespeare, 1600, *As You Like It*, Act III. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Who loves his work and knows to spare, may live and flourish anywhere."

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

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

3. "Who lends his lips to nought but blame, has in his heart no love of fame."

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

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

4. "No one can be a friend if you know not whether to trust or distrust him."

— Aesop, 1867, *Aesop's Fables* (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)

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

5. "Give out that you have many friends, and believe that you have but few."

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

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

6. "In men this blunder still you find, - All think their little set mankind."

— Hannah More, 1786, *Florio, Part I* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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