

Friendship Cryptograms — Set 26

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: Q = O

Medium · 71 letters

V Q K Q N I V Q N K Y L P J K Y V

 O Q H Q N K T L P C I N Y Z , Q N

 B Q P I O Q H Y O F , Y O P Q R J

 K Y V I Q Z T F B Y F Z T V J I

 F B N J Y 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: A = E

Easy · 71 letters

D B A U O J I R M A U S K A I W , -

 S K A I W U D U G B A I O D I G W

 X U G W ; I V A K K F N - V A A K U G Z

 X I E A M F G A N F G W O F R M

 E U 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

3. Clue: Q = L

Medium · 71 letters

G V L M T Q Q X Z G V L P

 Y F T L E B Y Z E J Y F T G B J Q N

 Q Z H J X , F J M T Q Q X Z V Q Q

 Y F T L E B Y Z E J Y F T G B J Q N

 J L H T J X .

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 · 73 letters

F N E R V N L X V T M J ,

U Y F H Y V N L W E H D V G E H

D E P N G V G , F H E U V K T Z S

F N N T Z U U K V V Z V U Z

N V F R V U L V Z W E N G V 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: N = O

Medium · 73 letters

D H D J B I X X H N Z K U I

J N P I B K H I G D T A N V G

T I D Q Z E N G Z N N L , H N Q D U I

E V N A K T M A H N K T L S X N K H

H Z I I K G H 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

6. Clue: U = E

Medium · 73 letters

K G K X A K M X U U M , C P A U

O U H B U X V C P N B C X D Y G U

J C X M Y P U E H U X D U , V Y O U

K D D K Q C X T K T K C X C X

D Y G U Y V A U 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

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. "No cord nor cable can so forcibly draw, or hold so fast, as love can do with a twined thread."

— Robert Burton, 1621, *The Anatomy of Melancholy, Part III. Sect. 2, Memb. 1, Subsect. 2* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Their cause I plead, - plead it in heart and mind; A fellow-feeling makes one wondrous kind."

— David Garrick, 1776, *Prologue on Quitting the Stage in 1776* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Man will do many things to get himself loved, he will do all things to get himself envied."

— Mark Twain, 1897, *Following the Equator*

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

4. "A lovely being, scarcely formed or moulded, A rose with all its sweetest leaves yet folded."

— Lord Byron, 1819, *Don Juan, Canto XV. Stanza 43* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "It is well to have some water in your neighborhood, to give buoyancy to and float the earth."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

6. "A man had need, if he be plentiful in some kind of expense, to be as saving again in some other."

— Francis Bacon, 1625, *The Essays or Counsels, Civil and Moral*

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