

Friendship Cryptograms — Set 38

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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: S = E

Medium · 116 letters

T S Y T J Z I C P - I Z R X C ,

J I E C X J C G X J U U

U S I E J L Z I E P Y

S J G Z I S G G C P C X S

I S Q C J N G C Z I S I H S :

C X S I S Q C D P T S

S J G B ; Y P T O G S

J U D P G C H J I H X J I R S

C X S G C J D F P Y

I J C O T S .

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: Z = E

Hard · 121 letters

H P Q Z J T B U Q L

P Z E Y Q P Z B K U S K

P S P Z I Z S J C Z K F Q W K

M Q R Z J Z B B S J T

Y J M Q R Z J Z B B K U S K

L Q E Y Z B Z S O U F Q K U

K U Z L P Z B Z J O Z V H

L V F Z P S J T V H

O V J B Z J K Q J K U Z

V K U Z P L S P K 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

3. Clue: C = O

Hard · 121 letters

D C H L C T L X U

J F O F Z W U H, Q K B

D Q K A C T L X U H C

V Q J J U B V C D T C Z L H

C T J W T U, Q Z U K C L

C K J A K C L

W K B W H G U K H Q Y J U,

Y F L G C H W L W R U

X W K B Z Q K V U H L C L X U

U J U R Q L W C K C T

D Q K I W K B.

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: G = E

Medium · 123 letters

H J E J B E E J G

O G Q G D E I G D G K F

O I G A A X Z Y - S A B U G ,

I X E J H Z G W B X D

Q S X D X E W H D K F

K X Z X Q E G D , E J B E X

K X Y J E B A A W H D Y G E

E J G J N K B Z D B U G ,

B Z O J B E X Z Y Z H H Z G ,

A H P G C N E H Z A F J G 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: Y = E

Easy · 127 letters

Q M X X Y Q Q N M E

Y I B Y V F V O Q Y, G N

B W Y B C F Y A W O X W

K Y I Y N O B Q H E E

T H I J O I L, X H I G I E C

Y Z O Q B O N B W Y

X G I L O B O G I Q H V Y

Q M X W H Q B G G N N Y V

R V Y H B F V O U Y Q H Q

B W Y V Y A H V L Q G N

Q M X X Y Q 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

6. Clue: D = E

Easy · 128 letters

B G D G R Y A S N E E V R P

R J J F V D P Z E G V S V E

R J E R E H D D B N P Z

E B D N Z A N P Z Y R A N Y

N P Z D P Z X F V P I N

P N B X F D B G N B V B

H V Y Y Y N E B B G F R X I G

N H G R Y D Y V J D B V K D ,

V J P R B N E L D Z B R

Y D P Z K R P D A .

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. "Refrain to-night, And that shall lend a kind of easiness to the next abstinence: the next more easy; For use almost can change the stamp of nature."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet*, Act III. Sc. 4 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Friendship requires that rare mean betwixt likeness and unlikeness that piques each with the presence of power and of consent in the other party."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, *Essays: First Series*

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

3. "Most of the luxuries, and many of the so called comforts of life, are not only not indispensable, but positive hindrances to the elevation of mankind."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

4. "Oh that the desert were my dwelling-place, With one fair spirit for my minister, That I might all forget the human race, And hating no one, love but only her!"

— Lord Byron, 1818, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*, Canto IV, Stanza 177 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Successful enterprise, of the type which benefits all mankind, can only exist if the conditions are such as to offer great prizes as the rewards of success."

— Theodore Roosevelt, 1901, *First Annual Message to Congress*

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

6. "The holy passion of Friendship is of so sweet and steady and loyal and enduring a nature that it will last through a whole lifetime, if not asked to lend money."

— Mark Twain, 1894, *The Tragedy of Pudd'nhead Wilson*

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