

George Eliot Cryptograms — Set 2

4 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: Z = E

Hard · 69 letters

J B Z C Z Y C Z E Z P X B F

H F P ' J E Q P H Y G F V J

G Z Q P S U Q L U Z H G K V Z

Q O J B Z W L Y P F P K W

S Z J J Y K U Z H Y G F V 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

2. Clue: G = E

Medium · 73 letters

J G Y G Q Q D G N X P K G M

X N X H M D X H R G R E N

Q D G Z D I U G I

V D Z R E X Y P X T Z X N

Q D G E M X J P, I R X H M

N M E G P K R D I U 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: H = E

Medium · 79 letters

X Q H N G O K M H E Q T J

T F A T N V A G E K T

N G Y H ; L O X R V X Q H E H

T K N N G Y H J

W E H T X O E H A R X Q G O X

R X V C E R S T X H

G C R K R G K 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: P = A

Easy · 82 letters

P K S T P B L R J N P N X H

W X C S V X T P V V R P I X

R B S V L X V N A P N H A X

T P U A P M X P B

P O O X N R N X C S V

H D W T R H H R S B

P C N X V K P V L 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

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. "There are men who don't mind about being kicked blue if they can only get talked about."

— *George Eliot, 1872, Middlemarch*

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

2. "We get the fonder of our houses if they have a physiognomy of their own, as our friends have."

— *George Eliot, 1872, Middlemarch*

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

3. "The younger had always worn a yoke; but is there any yoked creature without its private opinions?"

— *George Eliot, 1872, Middlemarch*

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

4. "A woman dictates before marriage in order that she may have an appetite for submission afterwards."

— *George Eliot, 1872, Middlemarch*

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