

German proverb Cryptograms — Set 15

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: I = O

Hard · 47 letters

V H Q V I L B Q L F C M V R E W C

R M R C M I I C I I E , R C

C A X H M I P I O H M I I B L M 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: S = A

Medium · 47 letters

S G F E Q N P L P E E D U S F W N D

Q B X , F G C B W X R S

X R B A G S E V X R S X S W P

E B 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

3. Clue: Q = E

Hard · 48 letters

F Q H F W H A Q Q A V R J H N

Q T Q K Z U C V F M R I I

F W K O I Z B Q H R J H N H F Q

M N N 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

4. Clue: A = S

Expert · 48 letters

Y X V C U G A Y I V A Y Z D W Q

T V Q A Y X P Y N P W A G J J D Z Y

J Z D A J V Z D G A R P C 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

5. Clue: S = H

Medium · 48 letters

U E E R B O T Z S T A O
A G K R E J U L G A Z , I S G D
X E L S O Q G S T J , S E K R S T J
B O A 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: T = E

Hard · 48 letters

P G G P T S F P S G Y N C F D P
G J Q M T O T F V M G Q V D S T
O H J J T Z O O M D N V Z T S 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

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)

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Answer key

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1. "He who always thinks it is too soon, is sure to come too late."

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

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

2. "A single penny fairly got, is worth a thousand that are not."

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

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

3. "He that peeps into every bush will hardly get into the wood."

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

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

4. "They must be strong legs that can support prosperous days."

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

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

5. "Good faith is a seldom guest, when you have him, hold him fast."

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

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

6. "No one can complain of the sea who twice suffers shipwreck."

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

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