

German proverb Cryptograms — Set 22

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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: V = H

Medium · 56 letters

L V S M M V N Y N S R A R T

V S Z M A A I J M M I N A B

V J Z V N S Q, V N V S Z

M A A U G R V A B V J Z

M S J 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: K = E

Medium · 57 letters

X L X R M K D

E X W J R X W J U R K J

F M W P B D K J S K R R K D

R M X J R K J F M W P B D K J

Q J K L X R M K 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

3. Clue: H = T

Expert · 58 letters

Q W T B O H K X U R X R H

H B O H H B U I Q T

Z R M U X V Y U A H F Q W

D R Y N , R W X B U

K V X U H X H B U V O R 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

4. Clue: G = E

Medium · 59 letters

F G D F X S J R G B P X

T J V G X U A W S S A G

S F W P C B , D W A A P X S

F J Y G S F G T J V G X U

C V G J S X P G 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

5. Clue: M = N

Medium · 60 letters

W A W F P L M W G U C M Z I

U C I L N M T Q T Z L L

I C M X I H W G G W F G U V M

V M L G U W F ' I

M C X U G C M X V Y 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

6. Clue: T = E

Hard · 61 letters

Q S L X T R G A S R G F A B
N T P Z T X Q Z
K F M M Q M I , L X T
C T G C A T R G F A B
N T P Z T L X T Q K
Z X G F L Q M 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

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

Answer key

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1. "What the peacock has too little on his head, he has too much on his tail."

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

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

2. "A father maintains ten children better than ten children one father."

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

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

3. "Of what use is it that the cow gives plenty of milk, if she upsets the pail."

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

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

4. "He who takes no care of little things, will not have the care of great ones."

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

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

5. "Every one thinks his own cuckoo sings better than another's nightingale."

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

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

6. "If the wolf would cease his running, the people would cease their shouting."

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

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