

Hard Cryptograms — Set 109

6 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: H = T

Hard · 57 letters

K E O Z K Q D O K D I S Z O E

U E P D H E J E N Q H I

B S V V S O H P G H I S O Q H

I S Z N Q H I

L E V Q H Q K 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

2. Clue: H = T

Hard · 57 letters

R M D A M V P W H V W

V O W U H Q X H H O Y H

H O A U A M V Y R F Y I V

H M C A A P W X S O D W U

K W X U H A V 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

3. Clue: F = A

Hard · 57 letters

D F S R F I J F P W Q R R H

F X

U F B B R N W - U N F J L H B ,

F H U A H R F H A X D R N

E I F G G R N - E I F J L H 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: B = E

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S Y Z B D K K X B I W

N U L H B R Y N B U I K R Y K

Q W O B Y U S W E K G

B X B U A Y D S R J

Z B G K U B W U Q 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

5. Clue: H = E

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L U H O A I H C N X A N H

A B F M K O I, K I F L U H

D H M H X H H B A B X H N L

L U A B G K P X L L C

Y M K V C N .

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: R = A

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F D R F P D T J D T Z

Y K Z R T M, H R E C O

Z S G L O K; F D R F

P D T J D T Z Z R T M,

J R K K G F C O Y K Z R T M.

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 wordsOF 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 apostropheT (don't) S (it's) RE (we're) VE (I've) LL (we'll) D
(I'd)

Answer key

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1. "Conscience has no more to do with gallantry than it has with politics."

— Richard Brinsley Sheridan, 1775, *The Duenna*, Act II. Sc. 4 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Life is not so short but that there is always time enough for courtesy."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1876, *Letters and Social Aims*, Social Aims (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Have always been at daggers-drawing, And one another clapper-clawing."

— Samuel Butler, 1664, *Hudibras*, Part II, Canto II. Line 79 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "It behooves a prudent person to make trial of everything before arms."

— Terence, 161 BC, *Eunuchus*, Act IV. Sc. 7, 19. (789) (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "The wine of life is drawn, and the mere lees is left this vault to brag of."

— William Shakespeare, 1606, *Macbeth*, Act II. Sc. 3 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "That which is unsaid, may be spoken; that which is said, cannot be unsaid."

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

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