

Hard Cryptograms — Set 114

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: G = H

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X L X O L G N F Z B G G X O

Y F L W H R X Y B

G X W O P J T B N P H L

L G H L G P D H Y

H D D F W I J X O G L G P 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

2. Clue: D = E

Hard · 58 letters

S R D X D D K Q O P L T R S

L C A J D K S M K Q P Q M J

S I W Y , I P X P I S M J D

G M C S Q E D U

P D A D C C L S U .

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: U = E

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S N U O U X P P X T R F H

S N U O V P U ; X S X P

R U O E U B S X I U L U O H

T V T U I S V E X S P

U A X P S U I B U .

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: V = T

Hard · 58 letters

H N L V O U O V P R V L

B L D G M P R U J Y O M T,

O V U M Y R I V R L V O G Z U,

L Z X O V U C L U V

I G Z I T W Z U?

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: J = E

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H J U S A A W G I J

Y A J S G X B Z O K P J S D F

X D U A J S P J E T G I J P J

W J S A P X D G E G I J

T O G O A 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

6. Clue: F = T

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P F P Y M X F F X G F Z

K P Q X O T R M X R Z T X

J P F E P F, F E O T F Z

R P X R O P K I P T F E X

Y P V C G Z Z U .

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. "It is through his not making himself great that he can accomplish them."

— Laozi, 1891, *Tao Te Ching* (James Legge translation, 1891)

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

2. "The deep of night is crept upon our talk, And nature must obey necessity."

— William Shakespeare, 1599, *Julius Caesar*, Act IV. Sc. 3 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "There is simply the rose; it is perfect in every moment of its existence."

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

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

4. "What is it but a map of busy life, Its fluctuations, and its vast concerns?"

— William Cowper, 1785, *The Task*, Book IV. *The Winter Evening*. Line 55 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "We carry the great impulse and increase of these years into the future."

— Benjamin Harrison, 1892, *Fourth Annual Message to Congress*

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

6. "It is better to live and be done with it, than to die daily in the sickroom."

— Robert Louis Stevenson, 1881, *Virginibus Puerisque and Other Papers*

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