

Hard Cryptograms — Set 128

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: X = E

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O L X U X J O G X G P V M

Z P N N B X V O C O L X Z C C N ,

P J V L X P Q X J G M Y J P R B O L

L X N Z B G W - R L B O X G P Z T .

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: B = E

Hard · 63 letters

J Y B O S Z B U V A A P J P A R F

R B V N B Z P X J P T Y S Z

J Y P X L Y J J Y B U V A F , D X J

R B V N B Z P X J J Y B T B 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

3. Clue: T = E

Hard · 63 letters

K D T E Z N Q - Q N H R U D N Q U

K D T R P K O B K N X T B T P H ,

P B G ' E O B U K N A P Z T D O U

V B T C C T J K V P Z C O H T .

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 = E

Hard · 64 letters

D B P A B Z A H Z D P I P V

T Z E V Z X J X P I P V R V N K J ,

B Z J A N X U K P Z A H E G G ,

Z X J F P A H Z D X P I P V

G N K 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

5. Clue: V = E

Hard · 64 letters

P I J X G S V C V H A X R R

I E L U A I A V A X M M G

P H R V H , X T Y H V V I A V

K Q V X I X U A P R R V H C A E J

C V W T V C .

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: K = T

Hard · 64 letters

K S G K E V E G H X D V O M K C

O M V Y I H F G H I G O K C

E H M K V Q D I O M P O D R G H M A

O K C E H M K V Q D I V Q O R 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

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. "The gentle Lady married to the Moor, And heavenly Una with her milk-white lamb."

— William Wordsworth, 1807, *Poems in Two Volumes, Personal Talk. Stanza 3* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "The wise man not only leaves out of his thought the many, but leaves out the few."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, *Essays: Second Series*

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

3. "The glow-worm shows the matin to be near, And 'gins to pale his uneffectual fire."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet, Act I. Sc. 5* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "She that was ever fair and never proud, Had tongue at will, and yet was never loud."

— William Shakespeare, 1604, *Othello, Act II. Sc. 1* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "It may be we shall touch the Happy Isles, And see the great Achilles whom we knew."

— Alfred Tennyson, 1842, *Poems (1842), Ulysses* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "The two weak points in our age are its want of principle and its want of profile."

— Oscar Wilde, 1895, *The Importance of Being Earnest*

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