

# Hard Cryptograms — Set 135

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: J = E

Hard · 66 letters

T J N D A J Q J D V G J Z P N D P

T J H M B P Q E A J D B H J G ,

G F P D B F B P V E I N J B , G F V

D B Z F X B E G P N J H D G X J V .

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: P = E

Hard · 66 letters

U P R Z H T P I U V A P R M P

V G Q K T R I F D P K X R M P

I R R V R Z B P V F J M V D M J P

H R I F B C P X K T P R M P

J K T U 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

3. Clue: D = E

Hard · 66 letters

W H O N K N V R D O P R

N H D O M X D H Z O H D Y D H D E Z

N X D N L T D J N H D Y K N K D Q

T S N X D Q O Y D

I H T M D Q Q K T P .

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: N = E

Hard · 66 letters

D L N Q H K N L H Q F U

W F P H X W H T O N Y W F J U V

L W Q U G F ; L N Y H S N Q D L N

Y W F J U V D L N E N U E O N

L W Q Y W F 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: N = A

Hard · 66 letters

X A I N V V I W G R N I G H O X

I W G H A F L W H F Y G P G N

B N X R N P W I W G K N V S A Z Z

Z H A S N X N X A O X I G Y

M O X L .

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: Z = E

Hard · 66 letters

C H Q Z N R O V Q Z G Q , G H W Z

L D R Q Z C D H N D X S B Z O Q

L D Z N R V Q L H L O L H R V ,

U I Z B S H G Z M L R O U D R G M

H L .

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**

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| <b>Most common letters</b>        | E T A O I N S H R D L U                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Most common 1-letter words</b> | A I                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Most common 2-letter words</b> | OF TO IN IT IS BE AS AT SO WE HE BY OR ON DO IF ME MY UP AN GO NO US<br>AM                                                                                    |
| <b>Most common 3-letter words</b> | THE AND FOR ARE BUT NOT YOU ALL ANY CAN HER WAS ONE OUR OUT DAY GET<br>HAS HIM HIS HOW MAN NEW NOW OLD SEE TWO WAY WHO BOY DID ITS LET PUT<br>SAY SHE TOO USE |
| <b>Common double letters</b>      | LL EE SS OO TT FF RR NN PP CC                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Common word endings</b>        | -ING -ION -ENT -TION -LY -ED -ER -EST                                                                                                                         |
| <b>After an apostrophe</b>        | 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. "We have learned that we must live as men, not as ostriches, nor as dogs in the manger."

— Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1945, *Fourth Inaugural Address*

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

2. "Let us realize the importance of the attitude in which we stand before the world."

— Andrew Jackson, 1833, *Second Inaugural Address*

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

3. "Gratitude and treachery are merely the two extremities of the same procession."

— Mark Twain, 1894, *The Tragedy of Pudd'nhead Wilson*

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

4. "The sage has no invariable mind of his own; he makes the mind of the people his mind."

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

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

5. "Not all the water in the rough rude sea can wash the balm off from an anointed king."

— William Shakespeare, 1595, *King Richard II, Act III. Sc. 2* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "Wise counsels, like those which gave us the Constitution, prevailed to uphold it."

— Franklin Pierce, 1853, *Inaugural Address*

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