

Hard Cryptograms — Set 136

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: P = T

Hard · 66 letters

B Y Z Q S C U P Y Y N Z K Q

V U W E U K P Z E Y D P Q U

F Y V T A : P Q U B T Y W U X P

P Q S P A Y J Z B X P F X P Q

N Z K Q K S V 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

2. Clue: N = A

Hard · 66 letters

P E Z B J N E T P U Y C Q P

T J S L E U E R V B N A U C K , N E Z

I N C U P E T P N A A C Q P

I N Y Y U S E S H R J P N C

Q P N J C 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

3. Clue: U = T

Hard · 66 letters

R U R P Z H P U H B B

G L F U N L J T N P E U M H U

Q M H U G L P U P I T H N T P U

R P , H F I L K V M U U L Y T ,

D L P U J H B K T 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

4. Clue: O = T

Hard · 66 letters

Q K O O N T L K O N X O C K Y K Q U
 O X Q M X F V F K A K Y O N S F M ,
 O N X O Q S A K S F O N K G S Q V
 X F X Y P N U T H V Y S F 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

5. Clue: Y = E

Hard · 66 letters

H K P Y O Y I F Q H Y A E Y I U L ,
 U W R H O Y I J W H O V K I Y ;
 R K Z O W N A Y E Z N
 Z U Y A E Y I U L , L N F A C , K A E
 Z N R K W 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

6. Clue: N = T

Hard · 66 letters

N F V N E M N Y R S E A N V D B ,
 S R Y S H H O H E V D V W M A R N V
 N Y A R F A D D J I W S Q N V C
 N Y A J K H A E J S D N Y A K A .

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. "You have too much respect upon the world: They lose it that do buy it with much care."

— William Shakespeare, 1597, *The Merchant of Venice*, Act I. Sc. 1 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Endurance is the crowning quality, And patience all the passion of great hearts."

— James Russell Lowell, 1844, *Poems* (1844), *Columbus* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "It is past all controversy that what costs dearest is, and ought to be, most valued."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1605, *Don Quixote*, Part I, Book IV. Chap. XI (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Let those that merely talk and never think, That live in the wild anarchy of drink."

— Ben Jonson, 1640, *Underwoods*, *An Epistle, answering to One that asked to be sealed of the Tribe of Ben* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Take her up tenderly, Lift her with care; Fashioned so slenderly, Young, and so fair!"

— Thomas Hood, 1844, *The Bridge of Sighs* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "Two truths are told, As happy prologues to the swelling act of the imperial theme."

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

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