

Hard Cryptograms — Set 152

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 = E

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Y N D H T H C N I J H T H W

D W G H F H G D L H

W D S D C M D B J F V F I J H

A C I B X, H T H W M A N H

J Z H I U J S N H S C B S N,

Q I M W J W D F H E M H 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

2. Clue: M = A

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N S M X T, S M X T, S M X T,

M G U S R F V L J M W V N Q

B N N B,

U X X V O N A V X M L J P

S M X T, R N R M J

V O J U H E V Z U R F N K R

M J J F N H V N Q S M 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

3. Clue: S = E

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D M S B E S D B Z J C D H E

Z F K E R B H D W L J S, W F A

D M S B S T S E R B D M S

O R E J A M W T S M Z F Q

Z K R F D M S L S W D H F Q C

R B U N M S W E D.

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: U = I

Hard · 80 letters

H T S L A U M U H X Y

Q U G S M H I U L H T S

L X W S M S U N V G K Q B

Y X M S W S M I U V C J M I

D T U P T X J M

U V L H U H J H U X V L B K I

M S P S U W S .

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: A = E

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P D A C Y E B U Y N P D A

Q E A O P X Y A P U D O I A

Z A I A E H A P W A A Z

E A O V W H G O Z B R Z V ,

N Y E Y Z K H Q E A O P

X Y A P U J O Z E A O V

P D A 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

6. Clue: B = T

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B L C W C V W C X V J T

B L Z J K D B L V B E C

E R Q N O B L W R E V E V T

Z H E C E C W C J R B

V H W V Z O B L V B

R B L C W D X Z K L B Y Z M F

B L C X Q 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

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. "Whoever has even once become notorious by base fraud, even if he speaks the truth, gains no belief."

— *Phaedrus, 25, Fables, Book I. Fable 10, 1 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "O dark, dark, dark, amid the blaze of noon, Irrecoverably dark, total eclipse without all hope of day!"

— *John Milton, 1671, Samson Agonistes, Line 80 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "The fretful stir Unprofitable, and the fever of the world have hung upon the beatings of my heart."

— *William Wordsworth, 1798, Lyrical Ballads, Lines composed a few miles above Tintern Abbey (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "The spirit of liberty is the sovereign balm for every injury which our institutions may receive."

— *William Henry Harrison, 1841, Inaugural Address*

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

5. "The works of the great poets have never yet been read by mankind, for only great poets can read them."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1854, Walden*

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

6. "There are many things that we would throw away if we were not afraid that others might pick them up."

— *Oscar Wilde, 1891, The Picture of Dorian Gray*

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