

Hard Cryptograms — Set 76

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: C = E

Hard · 49 letters

G B T T Z X B E D U Z A B Y Y G

J K E M C L , T L E G I U V

V U C E C G J X Z X C V Z

Q G J S K 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

2. Clue: T = I

Hard · 49 letters

T W T P A V Y W T Y F G Q Q J

O N A N T Z T Y C Y N K Q T H N

G Y U L V W T V Y H O V L

G R V Z N .

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: X = E

Hard · 49 letters

E N Z G F G Q K N V X

X R X U N Z G U U V M G Q

H V X Z X H G N V H X M Z X

S M Z F R I T L C Q 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

4. Clue: J = E

Hard · 49 letters

A J V F O J Y V K V T J L F Z U K S

F D A J K Y F S K J , P J J T

T S U H D H E A E F Z E Y G E J X .

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: D = T

Hard · 49 letters

D F C X H W D F Y D U O

S H P E C X U K D H D F C V H H X O

V U Q Q K H D F R K D I Y K G

X C C 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

6. Clue: U = A

Hard · 49 letters

E U F F S W E Z H U B P E L M Z

P K M E U B V X U G Z U T Z P

F U W Z G B U Q U X G Z M N L R B 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

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

Answer key

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1. "I am monarch of all I survey, My right there is none to dispute."

— William Cowper, 1782, *Poems (1782), Verses supposed to be written by Alexander Selkirk (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "It is continually receiving new life and motion from above."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

3. "Striking the electric chain wherewith we are darkly bound."

— Lord Byron, 1818, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage, Canto IV, Stanza 23 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Lest men suspect your tale untrue, Keep probability in view."

— John Gay, 1727, *Fables, Part I. The Painter who pleased Nobody and Everybody (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "The dog that is forced into the woods will not hunt many deer."

— Danish proverb, 1857, *Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs (London, 1857)*

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

6. "Happy the man whose wish and care a few paternal acres bound."

— Alexander Pope, 1717, *Ode on Solitude (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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