

Hard Cryptograms — Set 88

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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: D = T

Hard · 52 letters

T D M X G Q S J U N S

Y W T D S X J U N N U C

E I U K S I Q D M X D T C

H T C S D M S I S T G

D I W D 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

2. Clue: I = O

Hard · 52 letters

E G N H X G N O O U A I H I

M W V I Q W C W Q T S I E S,

N S A F N T W H G W N K W

H I Z I F W F J I E 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

3. Clue: R = E

Hard · 52 letters

A Y D E R S K W R D J V R V K

C U E S S R O E H C W O E I R ,

J H I J E O K B Y Q R A V K

D B E U I O R H .

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: R = A

Hard · 52 letters

Z C C U L O R Z K R W Z O

Z C L O T R E R B

C G M Q U R Z Q C B Q W R

S Q B P C A

Q B U L R Z Q Z D P 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

5. Clue: D = E

Hard · 52 letters

S P D L Y Z T T Z E

W D F F D V Z P F N D

N H P G F N H P E D K D P

R D D E D Y O S P F N D

E F V H P 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 = E

Hard · 52 letters

T B M T V M P S R G A

L B K M I R K M M V Q B V

L B K M , B G K B M S G B M

O M V G S J B P B D B

Y B K 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

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 wordsOF 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 apostropheT (don't) S (it's) RE (we're) VE (I've) LL (we'll) D
(I'd)

Answer key

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1. "It has become quite a common proverb that in wine there is truth."

— *Pliny the Elder, 77, Natural History (Naturalis Historia), Book XIV. Sect. 141 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "What shall I do to be forever known, And make the age to come my own?"

— *Abraham Cowley, 1656, Poems, The Motto (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "Society became my glittering bride, And airy hopes my children."

— *William Wordsworth, 1814, The Excursion, Book III (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Too great haste to repay an obligation is a kind of ingratitude."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 226 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "One quill is better in the hand than seven geese upon the strand."

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

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

6. "He that would jest must take a jest, else to let it alone were best."

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

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