

Hard Cryptograms — Set 92

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: Z = E

Hard · 53 letters

Y B Z X A A N L Z X A

M H N W Y N W P H W I

J L R U M Y R Q Z J Z Z G J

Y X D Z G Z Q Z U C

N W N Y N H 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: Y = A

Hard · 53 letters

I Y G G C K R L F Y L

D Y I M U S Z K T C K R X

T X U V S J O ? Y B G Y Z R V

R B K S O R I F

D Y I M U S Z !

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: F = T

Hard · 53 letters

F G I A Q S B H A W V

O Q Y L V F W K B Y T

X I H D I V X B V R F Q F G I

V W F L K I Q Z F G I

S I W H F .

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: Q = E

Hard · 53 letters

M D Q C Q H B Q M R Z

P W Z Q W C X Q O Q B M R

D S O Q S X Q A R M W R X

M D S M W C

V X L Q H R A W X 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: V = E

Hard · 53 letters

N J V V P N B K V Z G Z N V Y

W H N J B P C Z C V N Z

K V M K V Z V P N V T B P

V U V K G M O K N B I X 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

6. Clue: H = O

Hard · 53 letters

L Y P F V H F P V L E H G

 L Y P I H J T L V E

 W P U H T D N L H L Y P

 F P H F U P H G L Y P

 I H J T L V E .

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. "The office of painting and sculpture seems to be merely initial."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, Essays: First Series*

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

2. "Call you that backing of your friends? A plague upon such backing!"

— *William Shakespeare, 1597, King Henry IV, Part I, Act II. Sc. 4 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "The mob is man voluntarily descending to the nature of the beast."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, Essays: First Series*

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

4. "The secret of life is never to have an emotion that is unbecoming."

— *Oscar Wilde, 1893, A Woman of No Importance*

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

5. "The entire system of things gets represented in every particle."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, Essays: First Series*

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

6. "The property of the country belongs to the people of the country."

— *Calvin Coolidge, 1925, Inaugural Address*

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