

Hard Cryptograms — Set 95

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: N = E

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V N E V H E G D D W H R R M C N

P V N M K M T U G P N, E G D D

V M U N R H F O X T N M J

J N K N W R M W P 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

2. Clue: I = E

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U W E I P W J I V Y U M I

N I Z P I, W Z Q U M I N V L Z Q H

G X O O U W E I P W J I V Y

U M I T H I O S I 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

3. Clue: C = N

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C W K N Z C P N I S S Y C H K W
 I C T R I C E N Z F N N Y Z H
 C W K J W L R Y Q X T C I K O L Y
 K W X Y I L .

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: Z = E

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N P Z U S G Z E P S H P X Z A
 O T B S L Z B A V T Z W B T V B L
 L I H H Z L L G I U S L C I N K A Z
 F S A 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

5. Clue: R = E

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L I R F X I R I W P X P H J Y R P
H W P X S Y U F M Y T I R I U P
U F R T R X W X I R O E R P X ' P
K E D P R .

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: C = I

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H Q C R N S C G H R P C K C R P R
P T Y C R G K G R R Z C T B H Y
Z P E H A G E I Y A
W C R H I P D H C Y T .

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

Answer key

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1. "He who will not take cheap advice, will have to buy dear repentance."

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

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

2. "Take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of themselves."

— English proverb, 1859, Recorded in Walter K. Kelly, *Proverbs of All Nations, Compared, Explained, and Illustrated* (London, 1859)

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

3. "Nothing happens to any man which he is not formed by nature to bear."

— Marcus Aurelius, 1862, *Meditations* (George Long translation, 1862)

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

4. "The life which men praise and regard as successful is but one kind."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

5. "When the host smiles most blandly he has an eye to the guest's purse."

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

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

6. "This quiet sail is as a noiseless wing to waft me from distraction."

— Lord Byron, 1816, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage, Canto III, Stanza 85* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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