

Hard Cryptograms — Set 97

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: P = T

Hard · 54 letters

U W P U Y P V H S T Z

U Y B W Y P U K L C Z H L W

I S K E Q T N Y L Z V W T T

O S R P Z H K P

U K O R W T 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: F = E

Hard · 54 letters

C I D F , I J W S S X S S L

Q C W Q H F K F K T A Y F ,

Q C F I K S O Z C F W D

W K T A K X U F Y L W S

Z A Y 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

3. Clue: Z = I

Hard · 54 letters

U L T D T Z O J W U L Z J V

J T Y : E R R U L Z J V O

E D T P W U L I E S Z R Z E D

E J C O L W D U - R Z B T 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

4. Clue: A = S

Hard · 54 letters

S U B G J A B Q M L G A

S U E S U B O L B A M L S

Q M L G ; S U B

J R M L C E I N A S U J M Q A

U B Q M L G 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

5. Clue: Z = E

Hard · 54 letters

U P Z Q Z D Z Q Z G I U

U D E S F A O M O Z W O T

U P Z D E Q M Y,

P F K Z - A I B P F T Y

P F K Z - M O U U M 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

6. Clue: L = T

Hard · 54 letters

R U N P J T J M U X L P B U

W T Z A J U Z Z R A L O S T L

L T X J A J K A L L S S T X

S R J A J L U X U Z 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

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. "He that would have a thing done quickly and well must do it himself."

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

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

2. "Hope, of all ills that men endure, The only cheap and universal cure."

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

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

3. "There is nothing new: all things are both familiar and short-lived."

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

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

4. "The wise knows that he does not know; the ignoramus thinks he knows."

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

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

5. "There were but two families in the world, Have-much and have-little."

— *Miguel de Cervantes, 1615, Don Quixote, Part II, Chap. XX (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "We can undertake business without turning it to our own interest."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1871, Reflections; or Sentences and Moral Maxims (J. Hain Friswell translation, 1871)*

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