

Hope Cryptograms — Set 15

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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: G = A

Hard · 79 letters

D O G I R , O G I R , O G I R ,

G E H O Q K Z U S G X Z D P

W D D W ,

H I I Z Y D L Z I G U S M

O G I R , Q D Q G S

Z Y S H C N Z A H Q K D F Q

G S S K D C Z D P O G 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: K = E

Medium · 79 letters

Q X N F D C D Q X U

G M N W B Q X C K R C N F U

D J K M Q R C G K J N F C

R H S V W G W M K K J N F C ;

E W G Q M K C K H G K J N F C

G M N W B Q X D J K M N 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

3. Clue: A = T

Medium · 79 letters

J Y J P M M U K A

I U A P G P W I A Y A B Y

W I F A ; F K H P U O ,

T K R U Z W Y K W M Y , -

K R C

C Y A C K F W Y G A P K U

J P M M L Y I M M A K A B Y

E R A R C Y .

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: V = T

Medium · 82 letters

V M H W H P S Y I V

W H V C W F L Y C W F J G ,

Q H W H G N V X

X I I Y Z Y J V H G Y U M V

W X C F L V M Y P

X T J Z X C P H J W V M ,

V M Y P T C F Z V C J G

P T 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

5. Clue: W = T

Medium · 82 letters

W Q D S D B C Z M D

A B E Q W Z J W Q D C V M ,

W Q Z V E Q B W B C

B M W D S S V Y W D T I X

F L A A C , K Z V M W L B M C ,

L M T Z W Q D S W Q B M E C

B M J B M B W D .

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 = T

Medium · 83 letters

Y O S R Y I O P U A P R V S U

H P U J S B U Q K V A

M I K O R K V X

X P R U K R U I R ; K V X

K X N I O R P U A P R V S U

H P U J S B U D S Q M S O U R

K V X J S Y I 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

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. "O dark, dark, dark, amid the blaze of noon, Irrecoverably dark, total eclipse without all hope of day!"

— John Milton, 1671, *Samson Agonistes*, Line 80 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Philosophy triumphs easily over past evils and future evils; but present evils triumph over it."

— Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, *Maximes*, 22 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "We will not anticipate the past; so mind, young people, - our retrospection will be all to the future."

— Richard Brinsley Sheridan, 1775, *The Rivals*, Act IV. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "There swift return Diurnal, merely to officiate light Round this opacous earth, this punctual spot."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book VIII. Line 21 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "There is one light of the sun, though it is interrupted by walls, mountains, and other things infinite."

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

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

6. "Prosperity is not without many fears and distastes; and adversity is not without comforts and hopes."

— Francis Bacon, 1625, *Essays, Of Adversity* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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