

Italian proverb Cryptograms — Set 6

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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: A = S

Medium · 43 letters

Z L M W L J M Z A N

A W M V K N W W L K A C X ,

Q W U N S S A I N G C M V

L Q A L K N 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

2. Clue: R = T

Medium · 43 letters

A W I ' R V J R G R J Y Y

M W O P I W K K C G R C G B

J R J Q V B G D A W B D

Q R W I 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: L = E

Hard · 43 letters

L Z L S F H W L E Y X W P D

Y L Y I D R H S L E Y I W

Y X D D Y I S L H Q

M S I X 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

4. Clue: O = E

Hard · 43 letters

B Q F C M O A H I O D Z O

D I O O E Z P V I O D O F M

D P I O N L A O D Z O

N I L H 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

5. Clue: F = H

Hard · 43 letters

M F N Q X E R F V X C

N C F O D V ' U Q Q V , F X V

F U V N M H L O F U H Y

C F O Y N N 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: P = E

Hard · 43 letters

N I P D P Y T C M K M D T P

G D Q Y N N I H C N I H N

K I Y S I C P Z P D

D Y F P C 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 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. "Who throws a stone at the sky, it falls back on his head."

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

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

2. "Don't bite till you know whether it is bread or a stone."

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

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

3. "Every one thinks he has more than his share of brains."

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

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

4. "Many desire the tree who pretend to refuse the fruit."

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

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

5. "Who laughs at others' ills, has his own behind the door."

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

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

6. "There is no worse fruit than that which never ripens."

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

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