

Italian proverb Cryptograms — Set 7

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: S = T

Expert · 43 letters

V S V X U N S S G D K N U E

A J M , Q T S S G D G D J L S

S G J S A N D X S G D R N L 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

2. Clue: R = E

Hard · 44 letters

F M P F C N S H R P N P O F F U

K R W R W E R K L M C V M L P N

M P K Z F U R O Z A K 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

3. Clue: Y = A

Expert · 44 letters

Q O H Q X Q Y E J O O G E Z N G V

J I Y E O T M O G Z F E

Y S T Y F K X S Y P F L Y T K .

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: U = A

Hard · 44 letters

L U Z Z T U H A J U Z A C B I U J

I V A S U Z A L U Q A , W D I U J

I V A S I D Z C B D I .

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: J = O

Hard · 44 letters

V R Y E J L M S C T M C N Y I
 T V I C L K I T Y ; T J X Y B J H U ,
 J V R Y L T B J S J E 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

6. Clue: Z = A

Medium · 44 letters

A T V V T K A T V Q T Q T Z C W G
 Z O B P Z K C V Q Z U V Q T
 V Z B O W G Z C K Z Y W 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

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. "It is not the long day, but the heart that does the work."

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

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

2. "That is pleasant to remember which was hard to endure."

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

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

3. "He who has been stung by a serpent is afraid of a lizard."

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

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

4. "Marriages are not as they are made, but as they turn out."

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

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

5. "The world is like a staircase; some go up, others go down."

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

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

6. "Better be the head of a lizard than the tail of a dragon."

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

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