

Italian proverb Cryptograms — Set 16

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: J = E

Medium · 52 letters

P J U P H U H G E W V A H Q

J Y J Z F D C B ' V D H G A P

D G V A P C Y J C O Z J C A

W J C E H N D J C E .

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

Medium · 52 letters

C U Z Z C R F X U C N L R K D K N

X R D N D F X R B , H L R D Z

F X U C N L R K D K N

X R D L Z D F X R B .

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: X = A

Medium · 52 letters

X Q X L L D G F X M O S Y R G F

Z Y L Q X A Z , X T Y Y Q B X Z

A F Z Y W W X O D Z A Z W Y

M Y N Z F D 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

4. Clue: R = H

Medium · 52 letters

R H K R N Y V C A K R G D R H

Z G U U N D I G C Q N E , A H P P A

K R G D R H K N V P T E G D R H E

U 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

5. Clue: X = T

Hard · 53 letters

W V X W F X I Z G G A R X
P X L Z C V Z A X W Z P I R L G T
P W R D G T A R X W F C V M R J V
Z A X R Z X .

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: K = S

Medium · 53 letters

F S I F E I S O J S S B K F N K
J C G G N K K N C Q G L K I
E Q K P S T R C T N I E I F N K
C P Q J C K 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

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 would stop every man's mouth must have a great deal of meal."

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

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

2. "Little children and headaches, great children and heartaches."

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

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

3. "A ragged sack holds no grain, a poor man is not taken into counsel."

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

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

4. "He who buys what he cannot pay for, sells what he would rather not."

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

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

5. "He that will not strive in this world should not have come into it."

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

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

6. "He that exceeds his commission must answer for it at his own cost."

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

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