

Italian proverb Cryptograms — Set 19

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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: K = E

Medium · 55 letters

Y B Q G M C M G K H B Q X K F

Y M D B D B K I K P U ,

Y M O O I K O M Z K D Q

E K D D B K O K H H K U

H B P U 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

2. Clue: N = O

Hard · 56 letters

J X J P L N X U L N C K S

X N V L N T S N T X N

P X U I D , N L U G C P X

V L N T I D P N S N T X N

E N L E U I 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

3. Clue: A = E

Medium · 56 letters

S A H S C E A P P O S Z O

C H F I G G I Z U O H Z P P

S I U Q P X M A A V

O A T U A E E S C O A C G

C E S A U O .

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 = E

Medium · 56 letters

Y O A X I Z N A T A Z ' D

N J X N J A D T J Y A I Y

F A Y Y P M A I T N K V F F

T J Y F A Y J Y O A Z D

A I Y V 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

5. Clue: J = T

Hard · 57 letters

J S Q K H D X J H N J S Q

J S H Z X D F F L B V V ,

R M J S Q Y S H S B F

N Q V J D J O H Q F X H J

N H Z T Q J D J .

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. "Who divides honey with the bear, will be like to get the lesser share."

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

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

2. "It is not enough to know how to steal, one must know also how to conceal."

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

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

3. "He who tells his own affairs will hardly keep secret those of others."

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

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

4. "The gardener's dog does not eat lettuce and will not let others eat it."

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

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

5. "The point of the thorn is small, but he who has felt it does not forget it."

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

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