

John Milton Cryptograms — Set 2

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 = H

Expert · 43 letters

A H B N J I K J I K V Y M , C Y N

F V R S S V J A H B N R S B

L S C N B L W A Y V M S 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

2. Clue: E = I

Expert · 43 letters

R E S L E D Q G N Q A H G C L S

M V T V F M Z , G E U N Z S C L O V

C L S Y A F F E G 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

3. Clue: V = H

Medium · 43 letters

X V H L V U Q Z V R R Z J V R F J

X V H N E A , E J N R D A U A W

J V R F J X V H Z E 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

4. Clue: J = E

Expert · 44 letters

V J W V C B J S K D E J C E Q W B

T P J V J P G J S W B S V N C P J S

A T D B X C C O 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: Z = E

Expert · 44 letters

Y L O Z W V , L O Z Z X Z B A
 D T Z Z K Z , J B L O Z T B A
 Y T L V Y W U Z H B G E Z W K 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

6. Clue: K = A

Expert · 45 letters

Q K J Q D X A V P Z Q H K G M
 O X D J W K P Q U G R K U G , K J
 O U X V Q G M K G P O X U P .

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. "Fled Murmuring, and with him fled the shades of night."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book IV. Line 1014 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Midnight shout and revelry, Tipsy dance and jollity."

— John Milton, 1637, *Comus*, Line 103 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "The childhood shows the man, As morning shows the day."

— John Milton, 1671, *Paradise Regained*, Book IV. Line 220 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Seasoned life of man preserved and stored up in books."

— John Milton, 1644, *Areopagitica* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Athens, the eye of Greece, mother of arts and eloquence."

— John Milton, 1671, *Paradise Regained*, Book IV. Line 240 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "Ease would recant Vows made in pain, as violent and void."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book IV. Line 96 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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