

John Milton Cryptograms — Set 3

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: I = E

Expert · 45 letters

W N P O P F W Q J I M F J I X

N U I C W I D C M I P F J I O W I T

C W W L B I , G O Y G F 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

2. Clue: C = R

Expert · 46 letters

K D P Z I C S Y O E P C I Y C

V J M I Y C T C I Z R ,

V Y N Y C A I Y R M F

C P R K C J A O 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

3. Clue: A = O

Expert · 46 letters

B D R W V E I L W W M L F G W

L I Z W S V A K A J F W, I D O

I S A K A J H Y A A S V A Z S 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

4. Clue: E = R

Hard · 48 letters

W S E W E R B S K K E U G R E H

R W B M E H L G S C U H L U

N E M N D U H R I H L U

L U S E H L.

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: V = E

Hard · 49 letters

I Z H B I H C V E B Q R J Q I C R D

A E J V E T B M I Y B A C V

U V W I C V I Z H V J V C V E B Q .

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: D = T

Expert · 50 letters

K M C S V D R V A Q C Z V K H O

A D X U C N D R X A O X Q A F C D

E R X T R Q V H T K G G V K U 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

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 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. "Spirits when they please can either sex assume, or both."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book I. Line 423 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "The work under our labour grows, Luxurious by restraint."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book IX. Line 208 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "In her face excuse Came prologue, and apology too prompt."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book IX. Line 853 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Far from all resort of mirth Save the cricket on the hearth."

— John Milton, 1645, *Il Penseroso*, Line 81 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Our torments also may in length of time Become our elements."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book II. Line 274 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "Above the smoke and stir of this dim spot which men call earth."

— John Milton, 1637, *Comus*, Line 5 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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