

Jonathan Swift Cryptograms — Set 2

4 puzzles · Large 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: X = E

Medium · 50 letters

L E X ' L A K Z E J Z D X A ;

L E X ' L K A R E X T B K A N

L J V X K U R E J B R G , J U

L E X P X Y V Y 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

2. Clue: K = H

Medium · 52 letters

B K R Y R I C B K R C

J G E S K R B I B M P

S K R V Y R C R S K C E Y D

E D Y M S K I

W M S J K P E C 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

3. Clue: G = O

Medium · 55 letters

X R I G J N X A Z G L I

J X P P E G , V L G S E L L O

J K N N S A O X V J G S P F

A K X I W K V N K I F

F G E N .

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: D = E

Medium · 58 letters

K M D M O K A E U D
Y E E Q J D K K R J M D U
W R X X W D B R J Y D U
X M O J M D M O K R J M R K
Z M E W D G E Q 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)

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Answer key

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1. "She's no chicken; she's on the wrong side of thirty, if she be a day."

— Jonathan Swift, 1738, *Polite Conversation, Dialogue I* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "She wears her clothes as if they were thrown on with a pitchfork."

— Jonathan Swift, 1738, *Polite Conversation, Dialogue I* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "I know Sir John will go, though he was sure it would rain cats and dogs."

— Jonathan Swift, 1738, *Polite Conversation, Dialogue II* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "She has more goodness in her little finger than he has in his whole body."

— Jonathan Swift, 1738, *Polite Conversation, Dialogue II* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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