

# Lord Byron Cryptograms — Set 2

5 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: Y = E

Hard · 49 letters

M Q V N D N S R Q X Y

Y B Y H Q V N H H X P N S

O X Y V Y O N Q X O Y P V Y

A P V D B K C G Z S A .

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: L = H

Expert · 52 letters

R O L I W J V Z T Y V L P W Y L V ,

I T M L Z X Z T Y Q Z J M P K

Q Z V L R I D L J V W M Z P W J

E R I S .

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: D = S

Hard · 54 letters

I K U D    Z P U M I    D S U N    U D    S D  
\_\_\_\_\_  
S    H R U D M N M D D    G U H W    I R  
\_\_\_\_\_  
G S T I    X M    T Y R X  
\_\_\_\_\_  
L U D I Y S V I U R H .  
\_\_\_\_\_

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: V = E

Hard · 56 letters

H V F F V O    F M    G J B L  
\_\_\_\_\_  
H V B V Q F W    F W V    G W M U L  
\_\_\_\_\_  
F W Q B    K M T D R V O  
\_\_\_\_\_  
X J V U V K V Q D    M B    F W V  
\_\_\_\_\_  
O M U 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: H = N

Easy · 59 letters

T Q N F F J T H X D H T A D F H

N P D S E T J O D F K Q T O P Q , L

U L Z L A D L H J L U E T Q F H

F H D L A P P L H 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

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| 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. "Striking the electric chain wherewith we are darkly bound."

— Lord Byron, 1818, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*, Canto IV, Stanza 23 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Exhausting thought, And hiving wisdom with each studious year."

— Lord Byron, 1816, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*, Canto III, Stanza 107 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "This quiet sail is as a noiseless wing to waft me from distraction."

— Lord Byron, 1816, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*, Canto III, Stanza 85 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Better to sink beneath the shock than moulder piecemeal on the rock."

— Lord Byron, 1813, *The Giaour*, Line 969 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "I stood in Venice on the Bridge of Sighs, A palace and a prison on each hand."

— Lord Byron, 1818, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*, Canto IV, Stanza 1 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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