

Lord Byron Cryptograms — Set 3

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: S = A

Medium · 60 letters

S Y B W R M S X H J I S V M

M O S V O I M I V C I Y W P W V L

S M Y S Y I : S X B W R V L S J

E S J Q Y Q X Y B I H R M 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

2. Clue: N = E

Hard · 63 letters

D E " W M C Q F X , W N N Z F X ,

Y N M R U L T R F F X Y F R N ! " M G

G D K N D V N G D K N J E N C N

G L V B G M Y D R U U E N G Q X .

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: I = E

Medium · 63 letters

Z A I C D E Q X M F T H

P Q X M J I Z I H D A H P N B D I

B R A B X I P Z R H N I Z A H X

P A I C C Q X M P I H P B R

M B D 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: D = E

Medium · 66 letters

F " P B I F L V D

S K A L S A C D L S D , " B K M P D F

T X I F P D Q E O X A S X P M S X

B X A L V P F I D P D B B G D C

L K O F C F E 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

5. Clue: G = E

Easy · 66 letters

F S G X Y C M F N S G X Y N G A F

C E M G Y N S E V J H O C E O G ,

Y V I F G G Q F N H I Y A G N S G

G C G Q G V N F N H F N A E O 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

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. "A thousand years scarce serve to form a state: An hour may lay it in the dust."

— Lord Byron, 1812, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*, Canto II, Stanza 84 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Oh "darkly, deeply, beautifully blue!" As some one somewhere sings about the sky."

— Lord Byron, 1819, *Don Juan*, Canto IV. Stanza 110 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "The drying up a single tear has more of honest fame than shedding seas of gore."

— Lord Byron, 1819, *Don Juan*, Canto VIII. Stanza 3 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "A "strange coincidence," to use a phrase by which such things are settled nowadays."

— Lord Byron, 1819, *Don Juan*, Canto VI. Stanza 78 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "She walks the waters like a thing of life, And seems to dare the elements to strife."

— Lord Byron, 1814, *The Corsair*, Canto I. Stanza 3 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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