

Medium Cryptograms — Set 126

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 = E

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S G X W E Q W E M Q G L L Y D

X S B B A Y L S J S L B G E I ,

V W S L H I S A Y L S A G V W S L M

Y A V W S W G F B S V M B S S 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

2. Clue: L = T

Medium · 64 letters

L X G J X H L T X E X P O

L I T K E N L D Z N P L K L I J

X N T, - W K D F X W H J J A W

L I X L E I N Q I E X W L I J

E N P O N 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

3. Clue: D = H

Medium · 64 letters

V T R B M D Q M T I V U E D P K D

D Q X X B I O M T M D B B Q I L

P O O X A I E P M D M D B

M D N B Q L T C M D U

L B O M P I U .

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: Q = E

Medium · 64 letters

Q G Q D V U A O M W K M R

I Q U R S D Q P N V O L Q P Q X O L

W J O L Q R Q K O M I Q K O J D W I

Z L M A L M O X D W A Q Q P 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

5. Clue: K = E

Medium · 64 letters

N ' J K B Q D I M S M W ! - I X K

O L N U V K F X Q U Q P B W

V L N K S , X M S P K K U M U

K G O K L Q L F N I X Q Y I X N D

V L Q F U .

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: H = S

Medium · 64 letters

W Q F F N B T H H L T F T B L H , Q H
 B Q M V X T H W S G H , P T H H S B
 T I M T X N S X M W N B C H M W Q B
 A S H M H V F F S H T .

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. "Each in his narrow cell forever laid, The rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep."

— Thomas Gray, 1751, *Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard, Elegy in a Country Churchyard. Stanza 4* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Take a straw and throw it up into the air, - you may see by that which way the wind is."

— John Selden, 1689, *Table Talk, Libels* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Love that only which happens to thee and is spun with the thread of thy destiny."

— Marcus Aurelius, 1862, *Meditations* (George Long translation, 1862)

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

4. "Every action is measured by the depth of the sentiment from which it proceeds."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, *Essays: First Series, Spiritual Laws* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "I've lost a day! - the prince who nobly cried, Had been an emperor without his crown."

— Edward Young, 1745, *Night Thoughts, Night II. Line 99* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "Happiness depends, as Nature shows, Less on exterior things than most suppose."

— William Cowper, 1782, *Poems (1782), Table Talk. Line 246* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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