

Medium Cryptograms — Set 138

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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: G = H

Medium · 67 letters

G E Y S V A R F S J J E H

X G V N G E F S D R F J S B A

B G S U E T C , R F E B G S L B G S

X G V B S , R F W R B G V L W B G S

A G S T 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

2. Clue: F = E

Medium · 67 letters

T L Q F E V F D W F U F V L H W G

M H O R E X A L F T H L X

D L H D F V H X R F Q, E H A X R F

V F U F V T F M H E W W X R E X

A L F 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

3. Clue: W = S

Medium · 67 letters

H J H K R G Q W O U Q H W V U W

H O Y J U R H W W M H J K G E, G W

W V G Q Q T D W J K H G O W K Z R

I U O Y Q U R S G Q Q J V H D G E.

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: J = R

Medium · 67 letters

Y J U E N P T J Z V U T J E P B O ,

 Z J F P B N Q J P T J Z V U T Z P ,

 U J P X Z N L Z B A P U J P J N

 L A U L Z Q J V P J E L N H B Z 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

5. Clue: D = E

Medium · 67 letters

E D Z Q B E F J P F D Q X H V O Q U

 R D P N D N P Q Q B F Y D

 Y B H U J F P F F J D N B M F B S

 B F J D V R D B R W D ' M

 S V D D X B 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

6. Clue: C = R

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X C S X N T L M I X J C W T S C R J

M R R T P J X N M I E P T C J

G M L L M W S U X X N O I X T

C J L C O M I L C T P T Z J I

U M J 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. "Hope is an egg of which one man gets the yolk, another the white, and a third the shell."

— Danish proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

2. "Some are clever only in what does not concern them, and the reverse in all that does."

— Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1871, *Reflections; or Sentences and Moral Maxims* (J. Hain Friswell translation, 1871)

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

3. "Eternal smiles his emptiness betray, As shallow streams run dimpling all the way."

— Alexander Pope, 1735, *Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot, Prologue to the Satires. Line 315* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Praise from a friend, or censure from a foe, Are lost on hearers that our merits know."

— Alexander Pope, 1720, *The Iliad of Homer* (Pope's translation), Book X. Line 293 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "We know that enduring peace cannot be bought at the cost of other people's freedom."

— Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1941, *State of the Union Address*

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

6. "Truth of intercourse is something more difficult than to refrain from open lies."

— Robert Louis Stevenson, 1881, *Virginibus Puerisque and Other Papers*

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