

Medium Cryptograms — Set 144

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: X = T

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X V I U H V Y S N X H E X V Y A X

O A D D E N E I G X X V Y A J V X ,

H E K K Y D X I G D S K K E G X Y

A G O A O M I N X I T T S G J I W .

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: I = E

Medium · 68 letters

Q C D U S T P V I E U S I T P G ,

P G X Q P G U C Y F U U S I

Y I J J C Q ; U S I D I E U F E

P J J W O U J I P U S I D C D

N D O G I J J C .

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: E = O

Medium · 68 letters

I Y I P X Q I T R P F G H E A

U H G I W X E P Q , I Z P E W E A

U E E W Q , S M E Q H A G E S H U

I P F A U R X W I K H X Q W M H

S E U G F .

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: C = O

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N P N G P C G C V Y W G C R W C Q

P U W L B C D V W R G C Q V N Q W ,

Z C P C Z V S

P U W C B W P N T X V V S , D F P

L B X T P N T X V V 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

5. Clue: H = T

Medium · 68 letters

W H W C Q D H X C H X H L H D

Y L C X G L P B L Q H L J L T

W Q H D S W H F T D V Y H G V P

G L L P W Q M C , S W H F F X P G X

F L X J 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

6. Clue: A = I

Medium · 68 letters

A H A V A J R D A J U G X D
 I D J H G X A V F F D X O T B Y G
 Y D V H Y F X F Q S H F G U
 O T A J N A J K F M D O O H Y F
 I G X J A J 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

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. "They who act without sufficient thought, will often fall into unsuspected danger."

— Aesop, 1867, *Aesop's Fables* (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)

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

2. "Worth makes the man, and want of it the fellow; The rest is all but leather or prunello."

— Alexander Pope, 1734, *An Essay on Man, Epistle IV. Line 203* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "A man is a bundle of relations, a knot of roots, whose flower and fruitage is the world."

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

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

4. "It is to solve some of the problems of life, not only theoretically, but practically."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

5. "It is not a state to be safely entered into with doubtful feelings, with half a heart."

— Jane Austen, 1815, *Emma*

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

6. "It is in vain for a man to rise early who has the reputé of lying in bed all the morning."

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

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