

Medium Cryptograms — Set 149

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 = T

Medium · 69 letters

S K Y P W W F W P D B S J T Y

X S W W U E Z S K X S J M Z U

Y Q Y X B D U L B M Z D L

N W J S K , S K B S S Y X S Z P Z Y U

X J T M T Z X 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: P = T

Medium · 69 letters

D E S M P N W N S J - G J S K C P !

E W M P W R K D S M P M Y N N E O !

P L W P E S R K M

G X J J Y N P C X R E C Q L P S J

V C R Q M P X T E O .

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: H = N

Medium · 69 letters

A W Y F Y T G C Y H X A A W F Y Y

Q X X B S Y H E H W I H Q Y B G H

Y H Q T I H B ; I H B X H Y X R

A W Y S G K R I A I H B Q F X J K

X T B .

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: F = O

Medium · 69 letters

F V Y M F B K H L K P A F I

F A B L M U X H U D K I C X B B ,

Z V I T F F Q D K B B I F D X Y Q

X B B I C U M F D U Y P F E I C U

U X Y I 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

5. Clue: O = A

Medium · 70 letters

H Z I H K D E R I N B V R I

H P O J K , R Z D O L P O

D A Q S A Q M N O Q B ? O N N

U P O Z , Q R Q P O A B V R I ,

O Q B U P E I Q B P Z D H O Q B .

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: S = E

Medium · 70 letters

U T S P S O C W D L O Z S , U T Q U

K D U T C D Z D L S P Q F Q W

A O U T C T Q F S , Q C U D E S

X D H W K X Q N C S Q W K

B S P X O K O D H 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

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. "The fool of nature stood with stupid eyes and gaping mouth, that testified surprise."

— John Dryden, 1700, *Cymon and Iphigenia*, Line 107 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Blest paper-credit! last and best supply! That lends corruption lighter wings to fly."

— Alexander Pope, 1735, *Moral Essays*, Epistle III. Line 39 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "There live not three good men unchanged in England; and one of them is fat and grows old."

— William Shakespeare, 1597, *King Henry IV, Part I, Act II. Sc. 4* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Our policy is not only peace with all, but good will toward all the powers of the earth."

— James K. Polk, 1845, *First Annual Message to Congress*

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

5. "Truths would you teach, or save a sinking land? All fear, none aid you, and few understand."

— Alexander Pope, 1734, *An Essay on Man*, Epistle IV. Line 261 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "There is no vice, that doth so cover a man with shame, as to be found false and perfidious."

— Francis Bacon, 1625, *The Essays or Counsels, Civil and Moral*

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