

Medium Cryptograms — Set 155

6 puzzles · Large 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: C = R

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X W O Y I T T S Y U

W I C C I C I J B W I G O

G W N T P L C I B G

X W C O N X G X W O

J I C Q I C Y N Y T

B N Y T O C S Y U

E N G G O Y U O 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

2. Clue: T = E

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P T E R V G F M F V V N O V

O R T M L A X T Z E

O R Z T L O T A Q A X G E ,

L A M Z T B T M U O R T B

E V S L Z L E F Q T E Q A

V G Z C V P T Z .

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: V = N

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K Y V U K V U D U V P Y N

O I Q Z I B R U N I

V X P F E, S L E F I T Y

B Y E E D Y J J U K V U V

Y I N E F I V J

R U N P U E E Y V F Y I T Y V.

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: U = O

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P U N C N Z Q W G U A W F

S U G Y K O H S J

F Y F H G Z Q F G

F S T J E - R N Z O R J V U E J

P U N Y J Q F Z K F E C U V

R J J Z U N Q U V H Q .

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: V = L

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T K H B D V V Z X T K H F

O I D H R C O X R Q O

I D T C Q V N V X A Q Z , I Q

B D V V Z X K V V

O I D H R C O X R Q O

I D T C Q V N Q H A D Q Z .

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: M = I

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M F M U U N G U G V R

R C G M X H Q Q J

I O W U M R M G N W E J

P Q U U Q F R C G A ,

R C G M X Z W J

I O W U M R M G N W E J

W D Q M J R C G 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

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 nodding horror of whose shady brows Threats the forlorn and wandering passenger."

— John Milton, 1637, *Comus*, Line 38 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "We should look to the dangers threatening us, and remedy them so far as lies in our power."

— Ulysses S. Grant, 1875, *Seventh Annual Message to Congress*

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

3. "We now no longer camp as for a night, but have settled down on earth and forgotten heaven."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

4. "You must knock a long while against an alder-bush before you get a swarm of bees out of it."

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

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

5. "Man will do many things to get himself loved, he will do all things to get himself envied."

— Mark Twain, 1897, *Following the Equator*

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

6. "I will select their good qualities and follow them, their bad qualities and avoid them."

— Confucius, 1861, *The Analects* (James Legge translation, 1861)

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