

Medium Cryptograms — Set 18

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: Y = I

Medium · 42 letters

Y E Y K A U K T E Q C Y Z N

C U L S E , Y C Q Z A G U K E G U E

N Y K J Q K Y E Y 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

2. Clue: B = S

Medium · 42 letters

L B H X C E K U X B P N U D N P A

K E D B K P F L I E F L Y D B

K E D F I E D L K 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

3. Clue: O = E

Medium · 42 letters

P O R R O D E B O

O I O - Z A R B O J J R V L B R O B

V O L D J L I Z A R B O J J O J .

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: X = L

Medium · 42 letters

F R T I P X Q O O X T I Z V

Y T X X , O M T D Y Q X X O M Q Z P

D N E F N L T J N V D .

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: R = E

Medium · 42 letters

F S R K R O C T T C T O S E F ,

F S R D C A A H R H G L R Q I N D ,

F S R R T A J E H 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: R = T

Medium · 42 letters

R X V C V H A B Q N V R R V C

Z P R Y X R X P B Q B V Q G G

R X V A P E V Y O Q R X .

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. "It is easy to find fault, if one has that disposition."

— Mark Twain, 1894, *The Tragedy of Pudd'nhead Wilson*

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

2. "A slight disorder of the stomach makes them cheats."

— Charles Dickens, 1843, *A Christmas Carol*

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

3. "Better one eye-witness than ten hearsay witnesses."

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

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

4. "Speak little and well, they will think you somebody."

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

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

5. "The beginning hot, the middle lukewarm, the end cold."

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

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

6. "There is no better patch than one off the same cloth."

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

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