

Medium Cryptograms — Set 208

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: B = T

Medium · 96 letters

Q V D B N I D , E B E D

M I Z R N L V U I N V L A

B C V B A Z J V I N

U E B B U N H N B B N I

B C V O G V U D N

W O V R N D ; V O L E B

F E U U Y Z O N V I B Z H N

B C Z J Y C B D Z

D C Z I B U 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

2. Clue: C = E

Medium · 96 letters

B Y V F K E C A P Q J R

G E Q K R V E C F Y Q R C

B Y P A Y R P T C W F T U

C V A Y Q F Y C E ' R

F E V A N K J E R J C ,

H E P L Y F V R U Q J W L

G P V Z Q W G R P W F Y C P E

P W X V W F G C 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: I = T

Medium · 97 letters

G O I Y W P H X I Y W H W

G R O P I Y G O J I P

Y G O U W H P B H

Z P D D P N G O J N Y T I N W

T H W I T B J Y I ; S B I G O

D G Z W I Y W H W T H W

Q T O X I Y G O J R I P

U H T N B R T R G U W .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

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

Medium · 97 letters

J T V W K G P , T G N S

B K C Q S Q Z G O T G E ,

K X S E Z U S G T U S X R T

R J S I T X E T R R S G ;

K G Q J T V W K G P V J T

O C G E R J S Z X

Y X K Z O S O K X S N B S K G

E T G S B T G E K E T !

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

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

Medium · 97 letters

M F M U X N F M N M X B J

X N C J F G X N K J B U H

J Z J O R J J M R I J H H J C

P N X B H F O N E B U M C

M F R I J U M

N M B J O N X U M E J U H P J

J M W F T N M X B J

S Q R I N E I U M C 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: O = A

Medium · 97 letters

N R E O Z L R U V B Y O P

O W R G X E O X L O Q F

B Y O P O W R G X E O Y O L

F U Q R, O V X G W R G

E U Z G O T R, O Y X T Y R G

Y U D R, X Q L D X G R L

P Y R Y R O G P U V O H H

Y Z W O Q X P 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. "Masters, it is proved already that you are little better than false knaves; and it will go near to be thought so shortly."

— William Shakespeare, 1599, *Much Ado about Nothing*, Act IV. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "What precious drops are those which silently each other's track pursue, Bright as young diamonds in their infant dew?"

— John Dryden, 1672, *The Conquest of Granada*, Part II. Act III. Sc. 1 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "In theory there is nothing to hinder our following what we are taught; but in life there are many things to draw us aside."

— Epictetus, 108, *Discourses* (recorded by Arrian), Chap. XXVI (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "How many, once lauded in song, are given over to the forgotten; and how many who sung their praises are clean gone long ago!"

— Marcus Aurelius, 170, *Meditations*, VII. 6 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "No nation in the tide of time has ever been blessed with so rich and noble an inheritance as we enjoy in the public lands."

— James Buchanan, 1857, *Inaugural Address*

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

6. "Because of what America is and what America has done, a firmer courage, a higher hope, inspires the heart of all humanity."

— *Calvin Coolidge, 1925, Inaugural Address*

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