

Medium Cryptograms — Set 213

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: L = E

Medium · 99 letters

X Z L F L H N I T A Z W

Z L H G L T H T S L H F X Z

H F L H C B L X I

L T S J F L H T S

M I T X P T J L X Z J N

B I T D P N C L M H J N L

X Z L W S I T I X B P G L

I R , I F R I F ,

X Z L K N L B G L 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

2. Clue: E = O

Medium · 99 letters

E L F E D C R E L C V F N

R E L J S U J E C Q K U B Q

Q Z K P H P V Q S A E

W F U C S U C S

A V F P Y P C W U

A M Q R V U R J Q E T V K Q

R U M U R P V N E T I U C

T E F

A Q J T - W E B Q F C I Q C 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

3. Clue: I = E

Medium · 99 letters

O I C I W M R I A G X N W P

C H A T I K W A I N C U

A W V R M K H A

B A W Z W X I V I K H A

B H O I A K M R N M O I T H

C H M Q A I I X U

G H C G I T I M H I Z I A U

N P I A W G N C

A I B F L X W G .

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 = E

Medium · 99 letters

K O C N G P T V B G G ,

F O B Z O B Y Y P B A K Q

O P S C P R R Q I R Z C A

K O C K U P W C A T Q J

O P E G C K , K O C

Z O P U P Z K C U Q J K O C

N U B R Z C Q J A C R E P U D

V C B R W G C J K Q I K .

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: S = E

Medium · 100 letters

H E D M A S D B N R Z F S

V N E H S W S N O

D M R K A T E B K M E V

K R M B E K R F

B K M S N S D M R K A

T R M N B E M B D H B D M C S

S V V E N M M E S L M S K A

E P N V E N S B U K

J E H H S N J 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

6. Clue: I = E

Medium · 100 letters

O S I U I X V O S

J Y R R P O P Q A E I Q A X I

T Y O S S Q K H O U Y G I

V F Q J O H Y C K I Q U

T I F I G Y A I F J I Q F K

A Y G I : T U Y O S I U H V F

W I Q J I , F Y O U V G Q A H

V F J Y R R Q F K .

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 reason why heaven and earth are able to endure and continue thus long is because they do not live of, or for, themselves."

— Laozi, 1891, *Tao Te Ching* (James Legge translation, 1891)

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

2. "Our own country could alone have exhibited so grand and striking a spectacle of the capacity of man for self-government."

— James Buchanan, 1857, *Inaugural Address*

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

3. "We neither claim nor desire any rights or privileges or powers that we do not freely concede to every American Republic."

— Theodore Roosevelt, 1906, *Sixth Annual Message to Congress*

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

4. "The playbill, which is said to have announced the tragedy of Hamlet, the character of the Prince of Denmark being left out."

— Sir Walter Scott, 1825, *The Talisman*, Introduction (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Most desirable from every standpoint of national interest and patriotism is the effort to extend our foreign commerce."

— William McKinley, 1897, *First Annual Message to Congress*

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

6. "There with commutual zeal we both had strove in acts of dear benevolence and love:
Brothers in peace, not rivals in command."

— Alexander Pope, 1726, *The Odyssey of Homer (Pope's translation)*, Book IV. Line 241 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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