

Medium Cryptograms — Set 218

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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: O = E

Medium · 104 letters

I V P V U C T U

O F G O U V R V E N H

D N H R V K O V H R M O

B V I H R H C B O P N C I U

E B B I O O U E J , R M O

Y C H V H E B C Q Q

E I U O I O U Q V Y O I R A ,

R M O Z V R C Q B E I K O

E B G I E P I O H 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

2. Clue: M = O

Medium · 104 letters

W H ! W H ! K E Z T O F U P ,

R U P D W O Q E M W T

V M M J B , M T B W T F G E

E M W ' G G C T M L

P M W V G F ! W H ! W H ! K E

Z T O F U P , R U P A G F R T

E M W T G M M J B ! L Y E

R G G Q Y O B Q M O G R U P

Q T M W V G F ?

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: T = E

Medium · 104 letters

L W T Y L W H R Q W V I T

 W T M A T Z V T W F Q A K H

 Q R V T P G L X T Q P T

 W T L H E K D D E T K H V Q

 L W T M A T Z V ,

 F E V I Q A V F L E V E P Y

 R Q W L W Y A G T P V Z V Q

 W T L Z Q P Q P T E P V Q

 E 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: R = E

Medium · 104 letters

X Z R S W F M X R J X

W J J I V R N

P Y E R T X F P M Q Z F T Z

P M R Z R W O X Z G C W M

S R R O J Q F O O W X

O R M B X Z L V R K W F O

P K R V X Z R

W V B I C R M X J W M N

T I J X P C J P S

C W M H F M 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

5. Clue: B = N

Medium · 104 letters

W I I K A L B R J W C P

L Y V I L F W K P G H L K A

N B P W B N K A P C, W B G

K A P X N B G L J A N I T;

W B G K A P C P L J

A W C G I T W B T K A L B R

D B F N B B P F K P G H L K A

W B T N K A P C K A L B R.

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: T = E

Medium · 104 letters

Z H C G Z D T R , O U M T

Q Z J T C U Y X I P O E Z Y R ,

P U B P Q Z V A T E Q R U Y

P Y P U C W G T U X G Q ;

Q G T O U Q Q O T

D O T P R H C T Z I Q G T

X P B T U R I C Z B P I P C

Q Z S U T J Q G T

I O U X G 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

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. "Rigid and expeditious justice is the first safeguard of freedom, the basis of all ordered liberty, the vital force of progress."

— *Herbert Hoover, 1929, Inaugural Address*

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

2. "Up! up! my friend, and quit your books, Or surely you'll grow double! Up! up! my friend, and clear your looks! Why all this toil and trouble?"

— *William Wordsworth, 1798, Lyrical Ballads, The Tables Turned (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "A regard for the requester would often make one readily yield to a request, without waiting for arguments to reason one into it."

— *Jane Austen, 1813, Pride and Prejudice*

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

4. "The faintest assured objection which one healthy man feels will at length prevail over the arguments and customs of mankind."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1854, Walden*

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

5. "All things are implicated with one another, and the bond is holy; and there is hardly anything unconnected with any other thing."

— *Marcus Aurelius, 1862, Meditations (George Long translation, 1862)*

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

6. "Our hopes, like towering falcons, aim at objects in an airy height; The little pleasure of the game is from afar to view the flight."

— *Matthew Prior, 1692, To the Hon. Charles Montague (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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