

Medium Cryptograms — Set 236

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 = E

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B L B J I D R Y D P Q K A B

F P R J R Y K B B S M O Q

V O A B J K I R Y S M O Q

J O F M K K X S X R Q M B

V O W B Q N O K M M O Q

H J X H B J K I X J M O Q

V R A X J , Q X V X Y F R Q

M B S X B Q Y X K

O Y Z J O Y F B K M B

J O F M K Q X Z X K M B J 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

2. Clue: O = E

Medium · 125 letters

Q S P F S G W T R Q W R S G

F O S W Z R C Z A R P F T,

J U P A X C O J Z O S R P J

C Z Q J W A O J U O Q C

W T R V P U G; F O

E W U B O R T P X W S Z T O,

W T R F O U W Z Q O R T P X

W Q X P T O, D H X F O

S O J X C Z A W S P T O

F Z X C C Z Q V S P U 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

3. Clue: Z = E

Medium · 126 letters

I Z W J U S R T Z U Z T C Z

A Y S Y A K F S E Z

D Y N B Z U Y X S E Z

J A Z W R K Y F Z N X T Y W

N Z U S B S J S B Y A D J S

M K U Y S E Z B T

U Z K X - T Z U R Z P S ,

S E Z B T

U Z K X - T Z K B M A P Z M A N

P Y J T M H Z M A N

N Z S Z T W B A M S B Y 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

4. Clue: W = A

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G W C X W P W J G U X E ,

P U X E G U A H

T U A A R X R G , G U J

A M L E L A E , W E B F L C X

W K W Z L E X Z P U A U W R

B A H N F X B G U X

M Z A K A E G A Z J , G U A H

P L F G Y L E B T W F K ,

X Q X Z J G U L E V

R G W N F X , W E B W

P W Q X F X R R N W 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

5. Clue: T = E

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V T K S T C Z L K X M F K B T

K P V K D M I T P Z T B T R

Z X J C T T R W S W J

W H H W C G A X Z G D , K X R

T U A K P Z G D W J

W H H W C G A X Z G D

C T S K Z X M W X T W J

G F T H C Z X L Z H K P

W I Q T L G Z B T M W J W A C

X K G Z W X K P P Z J T .

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: H = T

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P I J H K B E W Y H D J A

H M K D J H K S J Y W

N D H T Y H D I J Y N U K W W

Y N H M K K R H K S J Y W

S K W Y H D I J N I V H M K

T J D H K G N H Y H K N, U K

G D N P I F K S K O T Y W

P Y T N K V I S

P I J H K J H B K J H Y J G

N Y H D N V Y P H D I 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

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. "Every man must be guaranteed his liberty and his right to do as he likes with his property or his labor, so long as he does not infringe the rights of others."

— Theodore Roosevelt, 1903, *Third Annual Message to Congress*

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

2. "Slowly and sadly we laid him down, From the field of his fame fresh and gory; We carved not a line, and we raised not a stone, But we left him alone with his glory."

— Charles Wolfe, 1817, *The Burial of Sir John Moore after Corunna* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "We must preserve not only the bodies of the unemployed from destitution but also their self-respect, their self-reliance and courage and determination."

— Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1935, *State of the Union Address*

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

4. "Take away then, when thou choosest, thy opinion, and like a mariner who has doubled the promontory, thou wilt find calm, everything stable, and a waveless bay."

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

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

5. "We Americans have always believed in freedom of opportunity, and equality of opportunity remains one of the principal objectives of our national life."

— Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1945, *State of the Union Address*

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

6. "Contemplating the internal situation as well as the external relations of the United States, we discover equal cause for contentment and satisfaction."

— *George Washington, 1795, Seventh Annual Message to Congress*

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