

Medium Cryptograms — Set 26

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: J = E

Medium · 44 letters

M L F K J Q J Q V J K H T

H G F W R J U H K N , - H T L

R J K J H V F I W P R J L D J S S P .

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: J = E

Medium · 44 letters

P M J R K I I J W C J J C X S P

G I I P M J Z G P J W P M G P

B S J C V Q M K C R K I I .

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: K = E

Medium · 44 letters

C V K W P K K C K W C C V B A J

C V N C K U K O J O K P E K W B Z K

N V F I N A Z M M O .

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: F = E

Medium · 44 letters

O G P N S Z H L A R P U V F W ;

E L U S G G V L H N W P D D R F ;

G R V L D F L W F D W F 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: A = T

Medium · 44 letters

I B T V P A O B B Z W P I W Q Z

J K K O - K V A X I K X K V J U

P Z B W O A I B A Q V A I .

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: Z = A

Medium · 44 letters

Y D V V D S Y D V X D X D Z I L K

Z O N J Z S I V X Z G V X D

V Z N O L K Z I S Z F L 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

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. "I do remember an apothecary, - And hereabouts he dwells."

— William Shakespeare, 1595, *Romeo and Juliet*, Act V. Sc. 1 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "The miller sees not all the water that goes by his mill."

— Robert Burton, 1621, *The Anatomy of Melancholy*, Part III. Sect. 3, Memb. 4, Subsect. 1 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "The sweetest thing that ever grew beside a human door."

— William Wordsworth, 1800, *Lyrical Ballads* (1800), Lucy Gray. Stanza 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Youth is a blunder; manhood a struggle; old age a regret."

— Benjamin Disraeli, 1844, *Coningsby*, Book III. Chap. I (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "He must keep a sharp look-out who would speak the truth."

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

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

6. "Better be the head of a lizard than the tail of a dragon."

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

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