

Medium Cryptograms — Set 87

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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 = N

Medium · 55 letters

Y E Z Y X S Y F O

E Z H H F O W N O Z M Z G

D E N A E M X F W O X Y

E Z H H F O N O Z

E I O M B F M G F Z B W .

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: A = E

Medium · 55 letters

Y Q H Q Z B J Z B J A T Z

B H W X Z R R P A, Y V P P

Q Z D A J Q A C H X A

X A P V B Q M H X Z

B Y A A J H L 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

3. Clue: P = E

Medium · 55 letters

R L T K O I O K P G L T J P D

R O Z L Z L P E P Q Y ,

R O C C E P C O M P Z T

S P Z Z L P C P G G P Y

G L Q Y 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

4. Clue: Y = E

Medium · 55 letters

G S C J G Q S S X E O S L

J G S U I Y L H G J E J B X ,

D G Q Y E E I Y I J A Y

N Y Y G U I Y L Y

I H C E Y Q 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

5. Clue: Q = E

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W M G T H T Q

H W Q Z J L W Q, J U Q Q H

H T Q S E Q Z J L W Q, -

J U Q Q H M J S E Q Z J L W Q

Z V H Q W S Z M 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

6. Clue: W = T

Medium · 55 letters

W Q I N A D O L U J S

T A P I L H W A W Q A J I

W Q S W W Q U Z V , S

W D S Y I L H W A W Q A J I

N Q A B I I 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

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. "That often happens in a day which does not happen in a hundred years."

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

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

2. "Who has tasted a sour apple, will have the more relish for a sweet one."

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

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

3. "Who divides honey with the bear, will be like to get the lesser share."

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

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

4. "No man looks for another in a sack, unless he have been there himself."

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

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

5. "Rich the treasure, Sweet the pleasure, - Sweet is pleasure after pain."

— *John Dryden, 1697, Alexander's Feast, Line 58 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "The world is a comedy to those that think, a tragedy to those who feel."

— *Horace Walpole, 1770, Letter to Sir Horace Mann, 1770 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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