

Miguel de Cervantes Cryptograms — Set 2

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: T = E

Hard · 46 letters

B T A T W N Q Q C G Q W S E W Z U

Q G L P E U H T F W E B L P T

B T U L U Q G L P T N F U L .

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 · 46 letters

H S A N Q B J W J F D J Y

F W V F O Y Y S Z J R S S A S E J B

N S T S Z J F N F A J Z J R 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

3. Clue: J = T

Expert · 47 letters

J S K G S M R F K L J T V J

L J Q P J S K P Q O K, J S V D E S

Q J L J Q O W L J V J S K I V 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

4. Clue: Q = T

Expert · 47 letters

Q F A K M R V A O B A M Q

V Y Q F H V W S P Q Q F A H C

D R S Y P C L Y C Q F A H C

B R H V 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 = E Medium · 48 letters

M F O M S S D W M B J B A B Y R
F R F G B G B V W F , F G V F M
Y G V S S E W T A T B T B Y R I 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

6. Clue: H = A Medium · 50 letters

E U V I H W W U D M H D E U V J
I H P M H W O B H Z M E U V J
I H P M ; H W O A D U J M ' A W U
A U J M .

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)

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Answer key

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1. "Never look for birds of this year in the nests of the last."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1615, *Don Quixote, Part II, Chap. LXXIV* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

2. "Fortune leaves always some door open to come at a remedy."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1605, *Don Quixote, Part I, Book III. Chap. I* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

3. "They had best not stir the rice, though it sticks to the pot."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1615, *Don Quixote, Part II, Chap. XXXVII* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

4. "They can expect nothing but their labour for their pains."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1605, *Don Quixote, Part I, Don Quixote. The Author's Preface* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

5. "It will grieve me so to the heart, that I shall cry my eyes out."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1605, *Don Quixote, Part I, Book III. Chap. XI* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

6. "You cannot eat your cake and have your cake; and store's no sore."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1615, *Don Quixote, Part II, Chap. XLIII* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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