

Nature Cryptograms — Set 12

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: I = E

Hard · 46 letters

T L M Y I X H R T W B I P P

U I M I S Q D X I H J E I

R T G J I M A Y I S I D L

X T J K M 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

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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2. Clue: M = E

Hard · 46 letters

C K Y M E M V C V K A E N

P R I I R F D L M M , V

U L O H D R S X L M V Z ,

V A Z I K X M L D 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

3. Clue: G = E

Expert · 47 letters

X S D G T C R I K S C

L E W J R R J S E A G S C

L J S G S L C K G Z C E

L J N G X R U E A G 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: Z = E

Expert · 47 letters

F L I Q J Z F Z P Z J

J W X H Z K W Z J

G W C B N J Z F , F U J

H L V Z K I D U H Z F

L B C V Z .

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: C = E

Medium · 47 letters

M C N V U U Q H V D D Q L P
H Q D V N C H F C
D K H K L C V G V
P X G K U X H C P Y C Q Y J C .

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: L = E

Medium · 47 letters

V M D L B L Z Z
K H L K T H L E Q M H B T H
R O V G L D L O V
U C T H T F V L L M Q
K L T J 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

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. "A friend may well be reckoned the masterpiece of Nature."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, *Essays: First Series, Friendship* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Give me again my hollow tree, A crust of bread, and liberty."

— Alexander Pope, 1738, *Imitations of Horace, Satires, Epistles, and Odes of Horace. Satire VI. Book II. Line 220* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "It belongs to human nature to hate those you have injured."

— Tacitus, 98, *Agricola*, 42 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Nature never rhymes her children, nor makes two men alike."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, *Essays: Second Series*

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

5. "We cannot afford to face the future as a disunited people."

— Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1940, *State of the Union Address*

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

6. "To be well prepared for war is the best guarantee of peace."

— Aesop, 1867, *Aesop's Fables* (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)

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