

Nature Cryptograms — Set 13

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: K = E

Medium · 47 letters

Z M Z I Z C A L Z C M H

T L I M C K M I Z C L

N Z A K N R E K N K M E K N K

L N K C H O Z I E .

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: I = S

Medium · 47 letters

U O V M Q D U J O G G P G M

I Z I D U H H, V B

U H A U J I I G G Y I U

T G I B Z R V B I Z A 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

3. Clue: J = T

Hard · 47 letters

R E V E Q J A P B N D Q

J A D E K D B Y H U , S B N

C X Y J J E B S J P Q D ' Y

J D S G A X B R Y .

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: B = S

Expert · 47 letters

Q H U W M Z E B R X S M G B ,

M Z E G H B R W B

Q W P J O R W P X B M Z E

B Z P S W F Q H P W B .

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: I = E

Hard · 48 letters

V G S U O K U O M Y C I V B

H U U Y N I J O Z I , M I Z

B U Z Z A I T O B G V B Y

S U O V B C I Y .

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: M = E

Hard · 48 letters

U M Q U C Q W M M W K

P L Q B M Y M J I A F K U

X P D D U C J E D I T M Q

P L Q B Q U M X B B E .

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 wordsOF 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 apostropheT (don't) S (it's) RE (we're) VE (I've) LL (we'll) D
(I'd)

Answer key

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1. "It is in vain to cast nets in a river where there are no fish."

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

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

2. "A bird may be ever so small, it always seeks a nest of its own."

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

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

3. "Go forth under the open sky, and list to Nature's teachings."

— *William Cullen Bryant, 1821, Thanatopsis (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Like our shadows, Our wishes lengthen as our sun declines."

— *Edward Young, 1745, Night Thoughts, Night V. Line 661 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "If you would be in good repute, let not the sun find you in bed."

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

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

6. "He that peeps into every bush will hardly get into the wood."

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

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