

Nature Cryptograms — Set 14

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: G = E

Expert · 48 letters

H G F C U Z X Y H G O T R S U Z X Y

V O F Q G , F S K C W G U A R O O

S Z C D F I G U Z X Y R H 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

2. Clue: D = T

Medium · 48 letters

X E S L E S D O P I D A C D D A B

T B U B P B A Y L , S Y U L E S D O

D T E D A C D D A B A Y S 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

3. Clue: E = H

Expert · 48 letters

N J U H W I M , W F M E R D U E E J

E W O C D T E N L M , E J N W V

Y J H Z V E Z R B D V L I U L 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

4. Clue: X = E

Expert · 48 letters

U X N U P N C D H F T A X O F F

K X G W X T K U D H F T Q X X E

E F X B N I D S K X G W P B N 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

5. Clue: G = E

Hard · 48 letters

U K K U G X L U X K N J P L T U

K D V Z G Y G L F Z K V F T X G

Y I D D G H Y Y Z T J F H G X 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

6. Clue: D = L

Medium · 48 letters

C X Q F B U H Q D D A P Q A

C X B H P A Z K D X Q F U B U H

D B H P A D J D B W X Q

K D Z C X 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

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. "Seat yourself in your place, and they will not make you rise."

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

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

2. "Man wants but little here below, Nor wants that little long."

— Oliver Goldsmith, 1765, *The Hermit* (Edwin and Angelina), Chap. VIII. Stanza 8 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "We grant, although he had much wit, He was very shy of using it."

— Samuel Butler, 1663, *Hudibras*, Part I, Canto I. Line 45 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "He that would be ill served should keep plenty of servants."

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

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

5. "No one can complain of the sea who twice suffers shipwreck."

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

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

6. "Wearing all that weight of learning lightly like a flower."

— Alfred Tennyson, 1850, *In Memoriam A.H.H.*, Conclusion. Stanza 10 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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