

Nature Cryptograms — Set 25

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: H = I

Easy · 58 letters

H R L C K D L Y V N E H B

A H L M K L H R H K V R K

R Y F N Y A E Y V R Y O N K J

Y J Z H N V A H V

A H L R Z N L 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: N = O

Hard · 58 letters

P U K P E K G N O F U E K

O M N L G N O Y

F P N O C Z U Y S R C C

N J K U L K Y G K N B U K

O M N L G N O Y P U E 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

3. Clue: H = E

Hard · 58 letters

P F H R H H J C E T D Y F P

D A W L H J P N J C T C N L

P K B X, K T R T K P N L H

Q N A P C U H O

T H W H A A D P 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: R = E

Medium · 58 letters

V R O H K O D R C V R

Z E T V X A C V Z C O H

Z K F Z P H O E C V R H R Z ,

P R C G X R H E X C

K R Z A E C X H F O Q .

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: K = E

Medium · 58 letters

Z I K E M Z I Z M J K C X C

Z I K D S K P K C V K E Y

Z I K D K E D T K

F K V E G K P M G H Z H M T

V E U K C M C 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

6. Clue: W = T

Medium · 59 letters

Q W Q G V L Y Q V L V J U

A Z I V L I W E Y J Q N O

W I L L G , Z C V C E W

C L Z I J U G E A Z I V W E

G Q W G W Q J 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

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 shows an evil disposition to take advantage of a friend in distress."

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

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

2. "He that you seat upon your shoulder will often try to get upon your head."

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

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

3. "The deep of night is crept upon our talk, And nature must obey necessity."

— *William Shakespeare, 1599, Julius Caesar, Act IV. Sc. 3 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "He is like the anchor that is always in the sea, yet does not learn to swim."

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

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

5. "The oath taken in the presence of the people becomes a mutual covenant."

— *Benjamin Harrison, 1889, Inaugural Address*

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

6. "It is decidedly harder to climb trees, and not nearly so hard to sit still."

— *Robert Louis Stevenson, 1881, Virginibus Puerisque and Other Papers*

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