

Oliver Goldsmith Cryptograms — Set 2

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: C = E

Medium · 61 letters

I Q U H U C V F C A F

H B I U J M A E I F M E

E C K C U Y V B B M E H ,

X Q F M E U M A M E H

C K C U J F M S C L C

Y V B 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

2. Clue: Q = E

Hard · 61 letters

I U Q I W H Q H J Q M O

J E Q Q F U B J K M I J M

S H F U I M Q T E W Q J J

M H W Z R K I J R J I M

F M K F Q R N I U Q S .

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 = A

Medium · 62 letters

J W J O R S X J Z N P

J Q Q N R S T P V O N Y E

I S J Y, J O I A J Z Z D O L

Y D T R X D N R U P Y N E

A P V O I Z J E S J 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: Q = E

Medium · 63 letters

L D K Y Q K F O P Q K D

L U D O , Y Q G K W F A Q K F

O P Q K D Q E Q , K Z Q Q

O P Q C U D Y Z U G

P N V W F S K F Y L W Z Z

H 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

5. Clue: B = I

Hard · 65 letters

W P B T , W L V N W P B T ,

I N Z L P V N U L P V F D

Q E H B T K Q D P Q

Y C B U U Z D B F D E T C N

F L T Q V L U B T Q D L

I B T 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

6. Clue: S = A

Medium · 66 letters

R L X D D S K F

W L X T Z D Z W L J X D S

A Z Z C L Z G D F X V R L F

D R S O T F, O B R S V

S G G S V R U S C F Z V S

U Z B G V F 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 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

Answer key

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1. "Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall."

— Oliver Goldsmith, 1762, *The Citizen of the World*, Letter VII

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

2. "The true use of speech is not so much to express our wants as to conceal them."

— Oliver Goldsmith, 1759, *The Bee*, No. III. Oct. 20, 1759 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "A man he was to all the country dear, And passing rich with forty pounds a year."

— Oliver Goldsmith, 1770, *The Deserted Village*, Line 141 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Pride in their port, defiance in their eye, I see the lords of humankind pass by."

— Oliver Goldsmith, 1764, *The Traveller*, Line 327 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Vain, very vain, my weary search to find that bliss which only centres in the mind."

— Oliver Goldsmith, 1764, *The Traveller*, Line 423 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "This same philosophy is a good horse in the stable, but an arrant jade on a journey."

— Oliver Goldsmith, 1768, *The Good-Natur'd Man*, *The Good-Natured Man*. Act I (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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