

Perseverance Cryptograms — Set 16

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: J = E

Hard · 66 letters

W B Y M D C ,

V B H D K W R Y J D , M D U

X B G J W C ! F J M W Y J

Z B W Y R V M H C J , M D U

L J C N X J D K K F M K

R B H Y M R F J M W .

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: R = O

Medium · 66 letters

H M T V E L H M O R H Y

L C C ; S R M F V O H

T Z U V M Y H R R U P V

C V S H R T M G R T Z H M N

S R M R T M G R T Z H M N ' Y

K R R U .

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: X = H

Medium · 66 letters

G K D T T D T G O ' Z H F N ,

V X F P N X X T X Y H W K V

G T , Z X F P M H X Y E T

Z V F F H V X Y V D K N X V

Y N Y K D Z V G O R K L 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

4. Clue: C = E

Medium · 67 letters

E N C N X W N C O E N C

S Z R B E L X B E N C

D Z U C O E N C J L D C ,

E N C E L D D C O E N C

E O C C E N C N L O Q C O

E N C M L D D .

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: M = E

Easy · 67 letters

L I M U Q C Q U I Q Y

V Q T T M U O U P H P I M

C O K M , P I M C H K M I M

V T H G U B M K Y P I M

C H K M I M V H G T Y

I O C Y M T V .

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 = T

Medium · 68 letters

D G N L R G M Q T D

R P D G M S D

Y S O O P T P N C D

D G M S K G D , R P W W

M O D N C O Q W W P C D M

S C Y S Y F N T D N V

V Q C K N 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
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

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. "Romans, countrymen, and lovers! hear me for my cause, and be silent that you may hear."

— William Shakespeare, 1599, *Julius Caesar*, Act III. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "True patriots all; for be it understood we left our country for our country's good."

— George Barrington, 1796, *Prologue written for the Opening of the Play-house at New South Wales*, Jan. 16, 1796 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Mine enemy's dog, Though he had bit me, should have stood that night against my fire."

— William Shakespeare, 1606, *King Lear*, Act IV. Sc. 7 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "The higher the mountain the lower the vale, the taller the tree the harder the fall."

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

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

5. "When a man has fallen into the mire, the more he flounders the more he fouls himself."

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

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

6. "They who act without sufficient thought, will often fall into unsuspected danger."

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

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