

Perseverance Cryptograms — Set 26

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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: U = A

Easy · 106 letters

P N O N G Z G M U Q T O J P

D U M P G Y P U T F, B J

P G H B L O P N O

G E E U J B G Z; U Z X

U H U B Z P G

A G X O M U P O, U Z X

D U J J P G J G A O K N U P

O T J O; Y G M P N O Z U

A U Z T O U X J P N O

X U Z E 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

2. Clue: D = E

Medium · 106 letters

R Q D N L D W - P W N U A X G M

N Z P X R X D F B G A R Q D

A W B X G X G M N Z

P N Y G R W I

A X F R W X P R F B W D

Y G Q D B O R Q I B G A

D L D G A B G M D W N Y F

F I C H R N C F X G N Y W

C N A D W G O X Z 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

3. Clue: N = A

Medium · 107 letters

M L N Q J C J T N Q J W I

N I K N H N E U H U I Q

P Q L V M M S U C W L

P V X L U H N T R N P Z U

T W I Q U H X S N Q U Q B U

X W X V S N Q J W I ,

Z U N S Q B , N I K H W L N S

P Q L U I M Q B W C W V L

T W V I Q L R .

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: V = T

Easy · 107 letters

J V J Z V N H Z H Y S H V

Q P V N H U Q S M T V N B V

B M M V N J E O Z

Z D W Z J Z V B E T T Q

E Q V T J H W D V Q E M I

S H V J S H B M J V V M H

P S Q G Z J O N V B E T

B P V H S U B S T Z

S H V D S E B O B J 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: R = E

Medium · 110 letters

C R L W R R A O R S O R E S W

V X O S B R C W R Q U R W ,

B X J W R W F L S B R

K X J L S O G ,

W R E - W B X O R W , E L N

C X J L S E F L W ; E L N

S B X J S X X E O S D X L S

S X N R W F O R W J K B

S B F L M W U R O G C J K 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

6. Clue: B = T

Medium · 111 letters

R Q R S C C V Q T B S O O

R Z C O Z M Q Z T

O Q B B Z T K U E Y T

Q W V B D J X L N Q B C

Z T B E Q W V B D Y Q O O C ;

S T U R Q Z C

M F Z B B Q F Z T K S Y S D

R Z C S K Q Z T B F D Z T K

B E U F S Y B R Q W X V

S K S Z 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

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. "The honorablest part of talk, is to give the occasion; and again to moderate, and pass to somewhat else; for then a man leads the dance."

— Francis Bacon, 1625, *The Essays or Counsels, Civil and Moral*

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

2. "The over-crowding of cities and the draining of country districts are unhealthy and even dangerous symptoms in our modern life."

— Theodore Roosevelt, 1904, *Fourth Annual Message to Congress*

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

3. "Gratification and amazement struggle for supremacy as we contemplate the population, wealth, and moral strength of our country."

— Benjamin Harrison, 1891, *Third Annual Message to Congress*

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

4. "It is the secret of the world that all things subsist and do not die but only retire a little from sight and afterwards return again."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, *Essays: Second Series*

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

5. "Men seek retreats for themselves, houses in the country, sea-shores, and mountains; and thou too art wont to desire such things very much."

— Marcus Aurelius, 1862, *Meditations* (George Long translation, 1862)

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

6. "He has spent all his life in letting down empty buckets into empty wells; and he is frittering away his age in trying to draw them up again."

— Sydney Smith, 1855, *Lady Holland's Memoir of the Reverend Sydney Smith, Vol. I. p. 259* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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