

Portuguese proverb Cryptograms — Set 9

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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: F = A

Expert · 53 letters

B F X A S U A K C N U S

K C N U S , F K T S U A T F R

T F R , F K T R M V E C O O

O C H A Q O A F W F K S O 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

2. Clue: O = I

Medium · 54 letters

W T L T D P R H , F E A Y O P

N R A T D O N O B B W F A

U D O W C , F E A Y O P

G D T R U O N O B B W F A

T R 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

3. Clue: R = E

Expert · 54 letters

V R D D R O L Y U R

A O H R W T K H W D L R

S Y O I R D - X E Y B R D L Y W

S J W R G H W G J P O

B J A A R 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: C = I

Medium · 54 letters

Z S C J Q J K E P C J T

U C E P K N E F O O C J T

C E , F C T J J K E P C J T

U C E P K N E S O B Z C J T

C 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 = O

Hard · 55 letters

T R U T Q X A U R I B R S L

Z Q T L Q I E L R J B R S L

E L D Q U G , R L B R S

G Q Z Q L O Q I R A R Z Q

K D 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

6. Clue: I = E

Medium · 56 letters

Y R V O I D Y Y G Q Z W Z

D Y Y G C E I G D I , Z W G

Y R V O I P Z G

W I K V O I B C E I G D I

W Y B N J B I V X .

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. "Make the night night, and the day day, and you will live pleasantly."

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

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

2. "Never say, of this water I will not drink, of this bread I will not eat."

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

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

3. "Better have friends in the market-place than money in your coffer."

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

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

4. "Drink nothing without seeing it, sign nothing without reading it."

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

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

5. "Conceal not your secret from your friend, or you deserve to lose him."

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

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

6. "Of the good man a good pledge, and of the bad neither pledge nor surety."

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

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