

Robert Louis Stevenson Cryptograms — Set 1

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: P = O

Hard · 40 letters

Q C Q N D P C Q R A O P B

N I H O O M Q D K , P B O P B

F Q K , A R W C E J P B X N .

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: U = E

Expert · 43 letters

A R F D S B T U J D Y

M B E E F, F D S H S N Y

M B P U B J U P A O

Q D J N Q A U J Q 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: D = E

Medium · 43 letters

Q C D I O H D T Q Y Z Q O S H

O T Q C D N D Q Q D J I S J

Y G O D Z D S I G X J G B 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

4. Clue: O = T

Hard · 47 letters

W O W R Y M O O Z R O L

O B Z O W R

X C L Y O W I S C , V S O

G M S F Z U L O B Z O W R

F Z F 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

5. Clue: N = O

Easy · 47 letters

L N U N O N N U S R U

M N A A V R G M S L Y G I

L F Y D N T Y X ' I O X S R U

G R L Y R L G N 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

6. Clue: F = E

Hard · 48 letters

D F X I G J N B K G Z M A

F C F A, I L K D F I A F

L F C F A I J H F I A L F K

I J D F D M B H 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

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 is no time for shuffling, or for big, empty words."

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

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

2. "If you are not happy, you must have an evil conscience."

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

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

3. "The finest action is the better for a piece of purple."

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

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

4. "It is not taste that is plentiful, but courage that is rare."

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

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

5. "To do good and communicate is the lover's grand intention."

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

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

6. "We may study for ever, and we are never as learned as we would."

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

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