

Robert Louis Stevenson Cryptograms — Set 1

6 puzzles · Standard 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 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)

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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