

Shakespeare Cryptograms — Set 14

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: J = E

Hard · 49 letters

I S S L Q R J U L Q J A N E L A

V I A M D ' E M P X O E J I O J

Q P N L T J E P V Q P O J

V I A M 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

2. Clue: B = S

Medium · 49 letters

C V Z Q G N C N I V S N C M , W B

V E X B M W M C B M B N V , W

O W B G Z G B B M V T X C M G

U W C 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

3. Clue: I = O

Medium · 49 letters

J W O L F Y P I X Q I A P I X A

H I J M N C : W O L F Y P I X :

P I X A B I C W C T N N W

H I J M N C .

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: G = E

Expert · 50 letters

U R I C G D G L G , Y D G J G D

F G D G , Y Q G N A P C , U I ' N

B Z N I I C G N U W G Y R

V D G Z T U Q S .

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: O = E

Hard · 50 letters

R Z O T R B B I P V F P S O E

S O E , B I E T Q H P I G H P R J O

S O E F B Y F B F P O U R E F O P 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

6. Clue: Y = E

Medium · 50 letters

E M M W J Y K Y V L A D Y I P L

E V E S X E G X M M H P W

I G Y Y W Y H W J X I M X W W M Y

J E H 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

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. "All impediments in fancy's course are motives of more fancy."

— William Shakespeare, 1605, *All's Well that Ends Well*, Act V. Sc. 3 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "I once did hold it, as our statists do, A baseness to write fair."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet*, Act V. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "I thank you for your voices: thank you: Your most sweet voices."

— William Shakespeare, 1608, *Coriolanus*, Act II. Sc. 3 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "If there be, or ever were, one such, It's past the size of dreaming."

— William Shakespeare, 1606, *Antony and Cleopatra*, Act V. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Age cannot wither her, nor custom stale her infinite variety."

— William Shakespeare, 1606, *Antony and Cleopatra*, Act II. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "All the perfumes of Arabia will not sweeten this little hand."

— William Shakespeare, 1606, *Macbeth*, Act V. Sc. 1 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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