

Shakespeare Cryptograms — Set 26

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: I = O

Medium · 59 letters

K I K I E K T I I S , O P Q D
 T I I S , O P Q D P F Z P G G P C Y
 T I I S ; W C S D P Y E Y E K
 C I Y ; E Y E K J X Y K I K I .

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: S = T

Medium · 60 letters

U G U T K Q D U R E Y N S
 L U U B A D M B Q D L S T Q Y L
 S A N N V A L R U N N Q H - R E Y N S
 P E B U S Q B E S P V A 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

3. Clue: K = T

Medium · 60 letters

K E U U L N M Y F C L V T X X ,
 T L N K E T K F X N M F H H F L
 T Y A O K Y T K F Y , K O H U , C O X X
 F L U N T W U L N O 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

4. Clue: F = E

Expert · 60 letters

Z B F K Y M C V T R U M Y K O R Y
 X S V , Z B S Z K M F O R A S Q F
 D M F L K B F M F F S U C F R
 V S M F O Y Z D F M P 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

5. Clue: F = T

Easy · 60 letters

T N Z S L F F J I R F T L P Y L F
L H F N K N N M L P F N
T R X X L P J H H F T I N G Y T
R P N F T J I O R P ' H J V J H !

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: P = U

Expert · 60 letters

R A M P S A G R C V B N R A N
P W Z B G X L P X X V P S A ,
J V W W M R Y P R C V B N R A N
F P T G J G M P Z S D G N H 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

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

Answer key

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1. "So so is good, very good, very excellent good; and yet it is not; it is but so so."

— William Shakespeare, 1600, *As You Like It*, Act V. Sc. 1 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Every one fault seeming monstrous till his fellow-fault came to match it."

— William Shakespeare, 1600, *As You Like It*, Act III. Sc. 2 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "The end crowns all, And that old common arbitrator, Time, Will one day end it."

— William Shakespeare, 1602, *Troilus and Cressida*, Act IV. Sc. 5 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "The world is grown so bad, That wrens make prey where eagles dare not perch."

— William Shakespeare, 1593, *King Richard III*, Act I. Sc. 3 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "How bitter a thing it is to look into happiness through another man's eyes!"

— William Shakespeare, 1600, *As You Like It*, Act V. Sc. 2 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "Though it make the unskilful laugh, cannot but make the judicious grieve."

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

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