

Simplicity Cryptograms — Set 12

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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: N = E

Medium · 55 letters

X M N R X N I M D F U H

I L V U U T N B A D X V R B

Z M V U H A N R, X N O A N

O U A N O H S U V L L U N

Q 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

2. Clue: S = E

Medium · 55 letters

M Z X A D S I H U S X Q

D H W G X S G S U S R Q X S

A Z Z M S P , M Z X A D S

R S C C S X Z W S E R

S W Z H 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

3. Clue: L = E

Medium · 55 letters

X D E A W I W A L Z D E C L J

X W B D B D L Y L H S ,

X W P P Y L P W U L B E

F L B B D L P L Z Z L S

Z D H S 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

4. Clue: H = E

Medium · 55 letters

T K N U T W K K V G S K X

U T K M L H X D T U G U Y V ,

J T W H G G L H L U Z H

C H H T M L H X H

L D N G H W 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: F = O

Hard · 56 letters

M L M E Q F L X Q F Z P Y

L F A Q F J Y F J L F

E L X W B , F Q X S Z E L

A Q F J W B E F Y F J L F

R F Q R X W 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

6. Clue: C = E

Medium · 56 letters

K M Q C Y Y H M H A C E U U
Q H E C , U X B U Q W
B Q F D H E C , U X P C H X Y ,
W H D O D P F M E C M W C W
L F M 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

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. "When we should still be growing children, we are already little men."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1862, *Walking*

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

2. "For the buyer a hundred eyes are too few, for the seller one is enough."

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

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

3. "Who divides honey with the bear, will be like to get the lesser share."

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

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

4. "No man looks for another in a sack, unless he have been there himself."

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

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

5. "It is not enough to know how to steal, one must know also how to conceal."

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

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

6. "Unless an age too late, or cold Climate, or years, damp my intended wing."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book IX. Line 44 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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