

Simplicity Cryptograms — Set 24

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: M = I

Medium · 73 letters

E U M K M K E U W Q W X G

D I M A V P W I J G I N X

R X V M A : E U M K

R I O M Z W K K

D X W V E M I A W D K E V K G

M K Q W X G D N A A M A P

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

2. Clue: B = E

Medium · 74 letters

J B D R C D D Z X R N T ,

Y B S G K T B D Z B U G O B

S C H H C R , B R V C U A C O

D Z G D D Z B J B T T

T Z G O B C A C K O

S C R T X M B O G D X C 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

3. Clue: B = O

Easy · 74 letters

M B B D F L C X J B B Y

X E B P J O K E I O X K C

B R E R L G , M P I I O X G

L C X L H K J O I G

M U B B Y U X F F

F P M F I K I P I X W B C

U K W 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

4. Clue: S = E

Medium · 76 letters

C S Z S F C S C S H Z F

N H J D P X S H T L S M T E

E S L L Q W F Q F C S

C S H G , H W G

E S H Z W P W D I P L S Z

D Z Q I I P F C Q T F C P L

A Q Q O 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: X = E

Medium · 76 letters

Q U K P X N X R Y K Z X

N M X A Y N V K R E J P

Z K O K P Y C X X N ,

Y P X X N P X Y Y

A U X T Y X P Z X Y A M

O K Z X A U X K B

B X V L X B Y Y P X 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

6. Clue: W = E

Medium · 77 letters

V L W N A A G Q I G

H K S F R W Q I G

U W I W Z A R W I V H L A P

Q R R V L W H W V L K I N H

K I V L W W C W H, Q I G

V L W B W K H I A

S K H V Q T K I 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
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)

Answer key

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1. "This is the very coinage of your brain: This bodiless creation ecstasy is very cunning in."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet*, Act III. Sc. 4 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Let not things, because they are common, enjoy for that the less share of our consideration."

— Pliny the Elder, 77, *Natural History (Naturalis Historia)*, Book XIX. Sect. 59 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Books are good enough in their own way, but they are a mighty bloodless substitute for life."

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

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

4. "Here the heart may give a useful lesson to the head, And Learning wiser grow without his books."

— William Cowper, 1785, *The Task*, Book VI. Winter Walk at Noon. Line 85 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "While pensive poets painful vigils keep, Sleepless themselves to give their readers sleep."

— Alexander Pope, 1728, *The Dunciad*, Book I. Line 93 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "The good and simple and benevolent show all these things in the eyes, and there is no mistaking."

— *Marcus Aurelius, 1862, Meditations (George Long translation, 1862)*

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