

Simplicity Cryptograms — Set 28

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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: O = I

Easy · 88 letters

M H K M N B G U M S D X O B

O A J O A F ; M A F

M A Z D X U S D X O A T

D Z Z , D X M D C U S N

H O D D H U O A F U U F O B

A U Q U B B M S N E Z S

H O C O A T M X M W W N

H O E 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

2. Clue: L = E

Easy · 89 letters

M Z M U X J W X W A C

L J U I Z A P L Z L W C M Q L

K E L Z E L W U E L

[Q J Z G W L] E J U

T W A R L P Z A E M C J

S M Q P T J W L Q Z A W J

C L W V M F L U U

U Z L T C A Z E L W .

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: M = S

Easy · 89 letters

B H B M J G H

J S D S M M T Q I H Y T H T

Z T J M Y G O R F S T Q J

Y B M R B U B J X P I H Y S

M C S T H G K Y B M P Q G C ,

O J R S M M Y S M C S T H M

S T M B S Q H Y T J B F G .

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: K = E

Easy · 89 letters

G R K C T I C , W K T G Q K O

I M K Q V D U J K J V D G

V N N I D U G T , I O J ,

N V M G R K Q V T G ,

W K E V Q K Q D E R Q V M K

G R K W K G G K M N V M

W K F O A I U F G G U K

W I J .

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: B = T

Easy · 90 letters

B F C O N Z C K E L U

H C K Z , R F D B Z T Z V C B

V Z D J J S C O ,

Y L K O C O B O L U D

J C B B J Z U J Z O F , D

J C B B J Z N V Z D B F ,

D K A B F Z W D V B

R F C Y F E L T Z V K O .

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: D = E

Easy · 90 letters

J C D T D S R E M

Q C U T U Q J D T,

C M V R M D P D T Z M M X

U E X A S E D, H B J S J

Q U E H D X D R J T M K D X

H K T S X S Q B N D,

C M V R M D P D T I M M T

U E X V S J N D R 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

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. "Always bear this in mind; and another thing too, that very little indeed is necessary for living a happy life."

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

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

2. "It is far from easy to determine whether she [Nature] has proved to him a kind parent or a merciless stepmother."

— *Pliny the Elder, 77, Natural History (Naturalis Historia), Book VII. Sect. 1 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "It is not necessary that a man should earn his living by the sweat of his brow, unless he sweats easier than I do."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1854, Walden*

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

4. "They say, best men are moulded out of faults, And, for the most, become much more the better for being a little bad."

— *William Shakespeare, 1604, Measure for Measure, Act V. Sc. 1 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "This being of mine, whatever it really is, consists of a little flesh, a little breath, and the part which governs."

— *Marcus Aurelius, 170, Meditations, II. 2 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "There is no character, howsoever good and fine, but it can be destroyed by ridicule, howsoever poor and witless."

— *Mark Twain, 1894, The Tragedy of Pudd'nhead Wilson*

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