

Sun Tzu Cryptograms — Set 2

5 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: O = E

Medium · 76 letters

K H N C J Q R C U

N C J Y D O F H V J B R C B

B E O O R O A N , H C Y

O M O Y N M K W B C Y N

P T K R O L N C J U K F F

T F D C D J H H O Y T

L O H O T 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

2. Clue: R = E

Medium · 89 letters

P Q R D Z R K R J

D U Y T G P G M P Z U U B W

P U P Q R R E E R D P U E

D U Y T N M R S R M R J C O ,

G M S S U R W M U P

J R A H N J R P U U Y H D Q

E J U Y N M S N K N S H G Z 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: I = E

Medium · 93 letters

P E E J I O H P O T I I

F N I F P H F G H T

C N I S I Q V G

H Z O K Y I S , Q Y F C N P F

O Z O I H P O T I I G T

F N I T F S P F I W V Z Y F

Z A C N G H N M G H F Z S V

G T I M Z E M I 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

4. Clue: Q = E

Medium · 104 letters

W E Q J Q R J Q M F W

Z F J Q W E R M X G U Q

Z L Y G P R H M F W Q Y ,

B Q W W E Q

P F Z D G M R W G F M Y F X

W E Q Y Q X G U Q K G U Q

J G Y Q W F Z F J Q

Z Q H F V G Q Y W E R M P R M

Q U Q J D Q E Q R J V .

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: R = E

Medium · 112 letters

G A V A X M R K R E X X N R

X E Z X L Z Q I N L Z N

N E W R S E L V R G D A B

A V R W L Z X A M D, Y B X

C R X D A B M O R X N A G Q

Y R M R S B C E X R G Y D

X N R L V P L V L X R

W E M L R X D A P

Z L M Z B O Q X E V Z R Q.

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. "If you know yourself but not the enemy, for every victory gained you will also suffer a defeat."

— Sun Tzu, 1910, *The Art of War* (Lionel Giles translation, 1910)

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

2. "The clever combatant looks to the effect of combined energy, and does not require too much from individuals."

— Sun Tzu, 1910, *The Art of War* (Lionel Giles translation, 1910)

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

3. "All men can see the tactics whereby I conquer, but what none can see is the strategy out of which victory is evolved."

— Sun Tzu, 1910, *The Art of War* (Lionel Giles translation, 1910)

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

4. "There are not more than five musical notes, yet the combinations of these five give rise to more melodies than can ever be heard."

— Sun Tzu, 1910, *The Art of War* (Lionel Giles translation, 1910)

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

5. "Do not repeat the tactics which have gained you one victory, but let your methods be regulated by the infinite variety of circumstances."

— Sun Tzu, 1910, *The Art of War* (Lionel Giles translation, 1910)

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