

Henry David Thoreau Cryptograms — Set 2

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: P = E

Expert · 43 letters

J P K T V H B G S P O P Z K C I S G

H X V S Y P Z P R V S U J E C T

K E S Y P Z E C 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: I = A

Hard · 43 letters

I N P M U Y K N V B U I Q X

Q I G J M I B N I Q K G F P J B X

W U C I M X G P R K Q 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

3. Clue: W = E

Expert · 44 letters

V J E W S P X E J H F W Z K P F W N

H J L K S J E W E W T W X X B F S

J C H I W X J K 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: W = E

Hard · 44 letters

P F E K A W C V N F A S E U I W

U J W A H U Y W , I K E V N W

Y K V E I W U J W A H U Y 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

5. Clue: F = T

Medium · 45 letters

T Y W R H T F Q C F C Q M P P M V

R H F Q M K Q Y V F C F M F V

R C G G H T Y V F A C G F .

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: V = E

Expert · 45 letters

S V K X P C J T R S V W W I K X J

J I R J H B Q M T J H Z V

F V E T H R V R C V X R I 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

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. "We should never stand upon ceremony with sincerity."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

2. "A more simple and natural man it would be hard to find."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

3. "Money is not required to buy one necessary of the soul."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

4. "Nature is hard to be overcome, but she must be overcome."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

5. "We know that a hill is not highest at its narrowest part."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

6. "We might as well omit to study Nature because she is old."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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