

Henry David Thoreau Cryptograms — Set 11

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: Q = A

Easy · 71 letters

Q L Q Y J H V C F Z V D L Z O

K W H J K Z P F A J Q

S W Z Q F T Q K K A L Z J J ,

Q L E A P Q L J F A V V

S Z F F T A J Q L D

Q G F Z W L H H 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

2. Clue: B = N

Medium · 71 letters

J H B K J B K V K B N H U

Q D F W D Z C K U D

B L N I X , R S X I D E H

Z H X X V H G G K J B K B

H D U X I D B G

C K U N K X X H B I H D E H 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

3. Clue: Y = E

Medium · 72 letters

S O Y T Y F D N

A F U U Y T Y M P Y

W Y S C Y Y M Y N S F M K

N M A A T F M B F M K U V T

D S T Y M K S O N M A U T V H

H Y T Y K X J S S V M 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: V = A

Hard · 72 letters

S X U J V E V Y J S I L

R S N K L C H L P U

M C I U I L J V X P V I

Y U V O X U R V X E L P C X Z

S H V K I S Y N L U T V Y N U

K E Y C T C X Z .

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: S = E

Medium · 73 letters

E N Z W H S Q X N

T S H X L E N R Q Z I X L

F N X Z N E P

W E Q F S H X N R Z C N Z U S

C N F S E S F S H X S S E

L E S L O C S H

O S N Z W H S 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

6. Clue: X = O

Medium · 73 letters

G W G H Y B Z Z W X A P U B

H X Q B Y P W B J G T

L X O J

T B G E A F X J A X X C , W X

E G U B F O X L P T D L W X

P T C N Z X P W W A B

B P J W 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)

Answer key

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1. "An absolutely new prospect is a great happiness, and I can still get this any afternoon."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1862, *Walking*

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

2. "We now no longer camp as for a night, but have settled down on earth and forgotten heaven."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

3. "There is a difference between eating and drinking for strength and from mere gluttony."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1862, *Walking*

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

4. "One may almost doubt if the wisest man has learned any thing of absolute value by living."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

5. "Nature is a personality so vast and universal that we have never seen one of her features."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1862, *Walking*

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

6. "It is well to have some water in your neighborhood, to give buoyancy to and float the earth."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1854, Walden*

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