

# Time Cryptograms — Set 9

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: R = E

Hard · 49 letters

L V A Y L A J R E Y H M F H L

J M C S E F R E B Y Q L U

Y S J R K R I L J R L V A

R F R J R E Y H .

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: A = O

Hard · 49 letters

A Z W Q A C T ' P P F W W M

Y W X A T W S L N Z L R Q E

L P J A T E Q E J A

Q A C T P D X E W T L E .

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: S = E

Hard · 49 letters

**F J S G S U U N F E Z D S N**

**C P S . L S F W D S P C**

**P C F S C X F Z A S G M F**

**X E C A Z F N U C N 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**

4. Clue: C = E

Medium · 49 letters

**S I U I P V X B D C O C X**

**S P B X V N U J X B D C ,**

**Q U D C V X U P X B D C U N**

**J C Z C H X P H Q C .**

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: G = H

Medium · 50 letters

**G T U G C G W O S T K Z W**

**D C Q A T X T G V I J G V B ,**

**G W O B W J T W Q C C J**

**J W E ' O Y C A D I T E .**

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: N = E

Medium · 50 letters

F R N ' F J D E R G E S N J ;

F R N ' F D J P R N M C D J U

F G A N D B P R G C P H , G B

F R N L N Y A Y H .

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. "Our torments also may in length of time Become our elements."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book II. Line 274 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "One hour's sleep before midnight is worth two hours after it."

— English proverb, 1859, Recorded in Walter K. Kelly, *Proverbs of All Nations, Compared, Explained, and Illustrated* (London, 1859)

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

3. "The bell strikes one. We take no note of time but from its loss."

— Edward Young, 1745, *Night Thoughts*, Night I. Line 55 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Who has time yet waits for time, comes to a time of repentance."

— Spanish proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

5. "He who has left a rogue behind him, has made a good day's journey."

— German proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

6. "She's no chicken; she's on the wrong side of thirty, if she be a day."

— Jonathan Swift, 1738, *Polite Conversation*, Dialogue I (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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