

Time Cryptograms — Set 29

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: M = E

Easy · 90 letters

H J M A M L H M M X H J S L A S Y

H J M A M L H M M X H J S L A B L C

H S G M , S D B Y R M H J B H B

A M L H X M G B L R M M Y S L B

T W L T B H M L B H S W L

B T T W F P S L A X 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

2. Clue: Y = O

Easy · 90 letters

X W Z Y I Y Q G I Y X P I

W Z J F O W K Y Y Q J I Q R W

X Y Y Z H, X W U P I I Y Q Q W O O

Y E K U Y E K H W F V Q R W

H Q P K H, I Y K Q R W R Y E K Y B

Q R W Z P V F V Q R W H E I.

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: A = E

Medium · 90 letters

C G C Y G C Q A G U I G J A U I O

X T D P Q Q P T Y D U P P K Y ,

G U I G J A O C O T P G K A I S A

P L L P X N A O X D I G C P T

J U A T J A V A M C T G P V A

Q A T I T O J P Q A T .

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

Easy · 91 letters

L T Z Z C Z ! G X C G O K C G X O G

T J C K O G C G X T Z K C Z Z Y W

Z C C L Z G Y V O J J I , -

V X Y Y Z C W Y G O K Y W C O

D J Y D C J L O G C , A Q G

D J Y D C J G T L C G Y L O J J I .

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: I = A

Easy · 93 letters

S C S M I M E D C V G

I H H U S V O C E D V V U S G Z M

Y K S Q K I A S M V E G U P D A E L

I K I U D K E T A ' M

I Q J T I S G C I G Q V , I M C E I

A V I U , M C A E G Z

I C C I Q K L V G 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

6. Clue: A = E

Medium · 94 letters

A J A D X V I Q S I L T K B F I
 I T B Y D T E H K F A I K A S T H
 U F J F I A U G X B W A
 O D A H A I B F Z A I B Q L
 H Q Z A G Q U X , G A L Q D A F B
 S T H T K B Y T E E X
 J A D F L F A 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

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. "The genteel thing is the genteel thing any time, if as be that a gentleman bees in a concatenation accordingly."

— *Oliver Goldsmith, 1773, She Stoops to Conquer, Act I (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "We do not know an edible root in the woods, we cannot tell our course by the stars, nor the hour of the day by the sun."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, Essays: Second Series*

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

3. "It is time that we had uncommon schools, that we did not leave off our education when we begin to be men and women."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1854, Walden*

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

4. "Misses! the tale that I relate this lesson seems to carry, - Choose not alone a proper mate, But proper time to marry."

— *William Cowper, 1795, Pairing Time Anticipated (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "It is as often applied to feelings which arise only from a half hour's acquaintance, as to a real, strong attachment."

— *Jane Austen, 1813, Pride and Prejudice*

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

6. "Every known fact in natural science was divined by the presentiment of somebody, before it was actually verified."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, Essays: Second Series*

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