

Time Cryptograms — Set 33

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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: L = E

Medium · 106 letters

N T T V X I X N S L

P L N M A C I I G V I J Z

V H A X A X L H J V X I T L

X L N J A Y, X N S L G I M L

C I I G V I J Z,

N T A X I R C X A X L U P N U

G H L D L O I J L A X L U

X N S L A X L A H P L A I

Y H C M H 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

2. Clue: S = E

Easy · 108 letters

O A X O Z S Y G O R S X K S

F V S Y S A X Z S A

Y K U J G T J X X S V

A U X K O A M H U V L K O D K

X K S C L U J G T A U X

L O G G O A M G C W S

V S Y F U A Y O W G S

X K V U J M K X O Z S Q A T

O A S X S V A O 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

3. Clue: M = E

Easy · 109 letters

I Z M R S F X I O B X U

N S S E S X R O Y O I Z S X,

O X V R O Y O I Z S X

N S S E U S X I Z M U M O;

O X V R F U B X A I Z M Y M

O X Z S F Y O N S X M, B

V Y M O R M V I Z O I

A Y M M P M R B A Z I

U I B N N T M D Y M M.

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: B = O

Easy · 109 letters

K P W B T M K F F U S N Y U ,

F B S U E K S U F , W B T D

L X B C Y U M Z U B P E I V E

W B T V D U E I B T Z I E

E B L X B C , W B T F I V Y Y

N U E I B T Z I E ,

V X B E I U D E K S U , E B

L X B C E I V E W B T

L X B C X B 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

5. Clue: H = T

Medium · 109 letters

A E H V K H B N X T R Y A B

H B R H F V O B H B R Q N

O T P D Y M E G G

K H T R V O B H, R Y Z

X E T Y N Z V K

R S P G G P ' K G R E T N G

X P E O B, H B R H

K P F N H V F N O T N D

D V H B V Y H B V K

G N R T Y N Z F R Y.

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. "All who have meant good work with their whole hearts, have done good work, although they may die before they have the time to sign it."

— Robert Louis Stevenson, 1881, *Virginibus Puerisque and Other Papers*

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

2. "In times like the present men should utter nothing for which they would not willingly be responsible through time and in eternity."

— Abraham Lincoln, 1862, *Second Annual Message to Congress*

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

3. "The mountains look on Marathon, And Marathon looks on the sea; And musing there an hour alone, I dreamed that Greece might still be free."

— Lord Byron, 1819, *Don Juan, Canto III. Stanza 86. 3* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

4. "If you dissemble, sometimes, your knowledge of that you are thought to know, you shall be thought, another time, to know that you know not."

— Francis Bacon, 1625, *The Essays or Counsels, Civil and Moral*

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

5. "Cut is the branch that might have grown full straight, And burned is Apollo's laurel bough, That sometime grew within this learned man."

— Christopher Marlowe, 1604, *Doctor Faustus* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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