

Time Cryptograms — Set 34

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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

Easy · 111 letters

S L A F X I H G T L L E

L O Z F T X U P Q P B O A

N U X T N X U L Q B P

Z X I P E U Q L A , O P G ,

A R L P G Q P B E F L G O M

E X B L E F L U , A F X I H G

G L R O U E O E P Q B F E ,

O A Q P E X N X U L Q B P

Z X I P E U Q L 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: U = O

Easy · 111 letters

D U F Z T , D U F Z T N A H

K Q E C R U Z , X R Q Q N A H

X R X H ! N U E Q Q N A H

D H Z D F E Q V U C Q T

Y C U K Q E R S , U Z H

K C U V T H T A U F C U X

O Q U C R U F D Q R X H R D

V U C N A E Z E O H

V R N A U F N E Z E S 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

3. Clue: F = E

Medium · 112 letters

E X Z V C I K D F I G C W B

M H B Q Z O Y F

M L G C W O M Z F F H , W L G W

N B B Z K K L B V Z U D F

K B

U F F J - M B C W F E J Z G W O

P F ; G C U O U O U

Z G V I L K G C K

O C W F H E O K K O B C G C

L B V H D X L O K U O G 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

4. Clue: G = T

Medium · 117 letters

L H P J E G H U T E D G G T

C T X T L J G I E D Q

J R J Z F C H F G I H G

F T W C T D ' G B H D G G T

C T . G I E X E X G I J

Q T Y C J D Z W Y J M T Z

H S V W E Z E D Q G I J

I H A E G T M C T E D Q

F T W Z C W G F B E G I T W G

U H E D .

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: U = E

Medium · 117 letters

S Q S H C U E T U L Q Z B

O X G H Q E X I H Q W U P F B

C U X C Z U R X F K X I Q ,

G X P F V F B H , H F B S G R

Q W S G R H F R F S G H Q

X G U K U W S G V X G U ' H

K F L N Q W F Q F E U

F K H X Z I Q U Z B F G V

U G Q S E U Z B Q E I 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. "We should meet each morning as from foreign countries, and, spending the day together, should depart at night, as into foreign countries."

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

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

2. "Sound, sound the clarion, fill the fife! To all the sensual world proclaim, One crowded hour of glorious life is worth an age without a name."

— *Sir Walter Scott, 1816, Old Mortality, Chap. XXXIV (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "My lungs began to crow like chanticleer, That fools should be so deep-contemplative; And I did laugh sans intermission an hour by his dial."

— *William Shakespeare, 1600, As You Like It, Act II. Sc. 7 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Make it a point to do something every day that you don't want to do. This is the golden rule for acquiring the habit of doing your duty without pain."

— *Mark Twain, 1897, Following the Equator*

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

5. "It is perfectly monstrous the way people go about, nowadays, saying things against one behind one's back that are absolutely and entirely true."

— *Oscar Wilde, 1893, A Woman of No Importance*

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