

Truth Cryptograms — Set 15

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: Y = E

Medium · 64 letters

K Y N I X K N G J

P K Y Y V O A I G Y Z Z B N F Y

Q Y N A X T ; O H G Y V T N G J

P E Z B Y X H P Z P E Z X B E G Y T

N G J I H 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

2. Clue: M = E

Medium · 64 letters

R S M B M A G M R V Y M B Y F K F

M O M I N G V N A K V Y R O , K F W

Y F F N R V M R R Y F J R S M

G Y J S R T N T M F R B V Y 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

3. Clue: X = E

Medium · 65 letters

Q H Q S X T U A X B U A F T L G

M L R X T Q B X R , U R Z J H T X ;

Q M X G L L S L A F R U C X

Q M U Q J X U A T U Q H Q S X

S H X 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: Q = E

Medium · 65 letters

W D Q R G W N S R G O

B Q X S A B K Q X, W D Q R, G B Q

A R Q C D G A X W Q V, G R V, G X

J Q M Q O N Q L Q,

N R Q C D G A X W N M O Q.

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 = E

Hard · 65 letters

H D E M F S B B P H I S W Z J

S W J J G Z V H K Q I J Q H, L Q W

B S A H Z J G Z V X F K I X E H J

W G H J Q L J W Z D T H W I Q 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

6. Clue: B = O

Medium · 66 letters

Z T R X S Y Z T O B Z W Y P P ;

A B T V X O Z R E Q X T W Z B B Q

N X P X A Z B R T L B R E Z T G

A B T B R T L B R E Z T G ' W

K B B Q .

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. "Health and cheerfulness make beauty; finery and cosmetics cost money and lie."

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

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

2. "The secret lies in an eye for locality, and in not letting the right moment slip."

— Sun Tzu, 1910, *The Art of War* (Lionel Giles translation, 1910)

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

3. "Titles are marks of honest men, and wise; The fool or knave that wears a title lies."

— Edward Young, 1728, *Love of Fame, the Universal Passion, Satire I. Line 145* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "The national resources, then, are unexhausted, and, as we believe, inexhaustible."

— Abraham Lincoln, 1864, *Fourth Annual Message to Congress*

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

5. "Envy will merit as its shade pursue, But like a shadow proves the substance true."

— Alexander Pope, 1711, *An Essay on Criticism, Part II. Line 266* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "True patriots all; for be it understood we left our country for our country's good."

— George Barrington, 1796, *Prologue written for the Opening of the Play-house at New South Wales, Jan. 16, 1796* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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