

William McKinley Cryptograms — Set 1

5 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: T = E

Expert · 44 letters

R Z D S M G U Q T I U

Q T Z F S H M U V R T J G V D

U T J I Z Q K E M V T N U Z T Q P V .

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: I = N

Easy · 53 letters

Z T D I X Z Q E I X C G V P G E U D

Q U Q I O Q W X Z D O Z T P E V L T

X I X Z Q E I X C D C D W Z Q 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: W = I

Medium · 59 letters

N I P A G W Q W N B D

G Z N Q W B N W A H W A

O L W K P Q A Z R Z L S W A P K P Q

W L E Q P Z A W L X W L D P Q K 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

4. Clue: I = N

Hard · 59 letters

X K V A K V I Y Z M M Y L C W W

L C D P V W W D P K I V D C M I J

M B D P K K V U D P A M I D C I O K

O I R U M H K 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: L = A

Hard · 66 letters

E C X K X Z Y F V A B C L P

G L K B C X I J H L H I J H , L H I

A E P P E X Z C L P X O L V E X I

R K X X I J G L H I C Y G L H A E 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

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. "With our near neighbors we must remain close friends."

— William McKinley, 1901, *Second Inaugural Address*

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

2. "The national purpose is indicated through a national election."

— William McKinley, 1901, *Second Inaugural Address*

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

3. "The spirit of patriotism is universal and is ever increasing in fervor."

— William McKinley, 1897, *First Annual Message to Congress*

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

4. "Peace and good will with all the nations of the earth continue unbroken."

— William McKinley, 1897, *First Annual Message to Congress*

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

5. "The Republic has marched on and on, and its step has exalted freedom and humanity."

— William McKinley, 1901, *Second Inaugural Address*

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