

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 105

6 puzzles · Large 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: K = N

Medium · 50 letters

K D O M Z K J H K K D L R

C V D C N V R D A T S M H R

K D O Y V S V Z E Z K J

Z K E Z O H O Z D K R .

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: F = A

Expert · 50 letters

G Y W D W F R K D F M T F B N

G H I F D D X F C W X Q

G Y F G X G I F N W Q H O W

L O Q W R Z X Q 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

3. Clue: M = E

Medium · 50 letters

F L M W C O M R C Y

X F O C I M F L M E Q F ' X

J Q E I F L M W C O M X L M

X M F X Y U L M O F Q Z P .

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: F = E

Medium · 50 letters

B P P B F O B P G W

G Y F C F M Y F W Y P F

L X B E Y F W W P G F A A

S W Y F M Y S M G F S C W

X 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

5. Clue: N = A

Medium · 50 letters

N

M A J T T - M I T J O J A J Z D

F Q F , N Z U M C O E N

A I Z D C F N M J N P

D T N U J E N B F Z I 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

6. Clue: R = A

Medium · 50 letters

O X T W X P P O R K ' E
P O R K , R W Q K O R K ' E
R E O U A O R E
S X K R Y O V E U F P U K
F R W B I 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

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)

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Answer key

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1. "Nothing annoys people so much as not receiving invitations."

— Oscar Wilde, 1895, *The Importance of Being Earnest*

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

2. "The real drawback to marriage is that it makes one unselfish."

— Oscar Wilde, 1891, *The Picture of Dorian Gray*

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

3. "The more you stroke the cat's back the more she sets up her tail."

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

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

4. "No one knows where the shoe pinches so well as he that wears it."

— English proverb, 1859, *Recorded in Walter K. Kelly, Proverbs of All Nations, Compared, Explained, and Illustrated (London, 1859)*

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

5. "A still-soliciting eye, and such a tongue as I am glad I have not."

— William Shakespeare, 1606, *King Lear, Act I. Sc. 1 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "He knew what's what, and that's as high as metaphysic wit can fly."

— Samuel Butler, 1663, *Hudibras, Part I, Canto I. Line 149 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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