

# Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 125

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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: E = O

Hard · 53 letters

L Q K C K U N K L W Y

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C X W V V W Y I W C L E

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G Y E X Q E X L E L H G K

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U H N K E D O E T N

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U S E L Q K C .

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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: H = E

Expert · 53 letters

**U N H I B U ' C D A Z J R H**

**J Z V ! Y Z R H O D B Y W E G ,**

**T H J U E H E P S G ; U N H**

**I B U ' C D A Z J R H J Z 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**

3. Clue: L = I

Hard · 53 letters

**E M L A U L A O F G L H L F**

**E M L A U L A O V O L D ,**

**Y L Z G Z G M K G O A K M**

**T B E M L A U I W T Y A M 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**

4. Clue: R = E

Medium · 53 letters

**D I R   H U W Q R N N H L Y**  
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**U K F R   L Y   K   G H N R   U K Y**  
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**H N   D I K D   L V**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**X Y H A R Q N K Z**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**H Y Y L J R Y J R .**  
\_\_\_\_\_

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

|          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>A</b> | <b>B</b> | <b>C</b> | <b>D</b> | <b>E</b> | <b>F</b> | <b>G</b> | <b>H</b> | <b>I</b> | <b>J</b> | <b>K</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>M</b> |
| <b>N</b> | <b>O</b> | <b>P</b> | <b>Q</b> | <b>R</b> | <b>S</b> | <b>T</b> | <b>U</b> | <b>V</b> | <b>W</b> | <b>X</b> | <b>Y</b> | <b>Z</b> |

5. Clue: K = E

Medium · 53 letters

**M B K U V J K U K A M H V D**

**F S X K F M A F M W V A**

**F X K R V A A K R M K P W A**

**F G G M B K W X O F X M 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: F = E

Expert · 53 letters

A F C C P F U F W F  
O U K C K L I W F V Z U F  
N Z S M D N , D L E  
U F T F K M C W F V Z U F  
N Z S O U K C F .

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. "The secret in swimming is to know how to take care of your clothes."

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

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

2. "The fit's upon me now! Come quickly, gentle lady; The fit's upon me now."

— *Beaumont and Fletcher, 1639, Wit Without Money, Act V. Sc. 4 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "Being in a ship is being in a jail, with the chance of being drowned."

— *Samuel Johnson, 1791, Boswell, Life of Johnson, Life of Johnson (Boswell). Vol. II. Chap. III. 1759 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "The impression made on a wise man is that of universal innocence."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1854, Walden*

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

5. "The movements of a great nation are connected in all their parts."

— *James Monroe, 1821, Second Inaugural Address*

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

6. "Let there be writing before you pay, and receipt before you write."

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

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