

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 126

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: W = E

Hard · 53 letters

G Q W Q V O I W P G M X V

C Z B W G W E W , G Q V G

J O M M S P V L S P Y W W D P

M L Q B P M K L Q W V O G .

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

Expert · 53 letters

C N M L G M Q M I R M F R G M
V M Q M I G J U C M V, S V W
C N M U C Y R J W R M F R G M
V M Q M I C S G O.

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: N = E

Hard · 53 letters

Z L N F T V N M B Z E Q J N

E L B U Q X N Z B

Z L N A J N O X N J Z L N

H V N S Q Z S R N Z B

B Z L N V J .

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: A = I

Medium · 53 letters

E Y F P A W J D L G B L

J U J D H L G A F R A P

Y M A F A Y F , B F W

Y M A F A Y F A P A F L G H

M Y N J 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: K = E

Medium · 53 letters

C X C Y K D H G M K

X C L U H Z C J K ' H I F H G

O K C E G D P E X C L U

K V J B K H H D W K

P K C G E B K .

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: U = E

Hard · 54 letters

N V G U D V B U Q A N Z U

K U H D U, V H S N Z U

K Q J H S I L M W W N V G U

D V B U Q A

N Z U F I U W R U 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

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. "The harvest of a quiet eye, That broods and sleeps on his own heart."

— William Wordsworth, 1800, *Lyrical Ballads* (1800), *A Poet's Epitaph. Stanza 13* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "The clever people never listen, and the stupid people never talk."

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

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

3. "They are not wise who give to themselves the credit due to others."

— Aesop, 1867, *Aesop's Fables* (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)

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

4. "Consider that everything is opinion, and opinion is in thy power."

— Marcus Aurelius, 1862, *Meditations* (George Long translation, 1862)

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

5. "A lake is the landscape's most beautiful and expressive feature."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

6. "Take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of themselves."

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

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