

# Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 140

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 = O

Expert · 56 letters

Q W V A D R L A H K O A U

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W C P R L A G F L J W W C Z ;

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S V H W C P R L A U A W X

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Q W V A D R L A G F L

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J W W C Z .

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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: I = E

Hard · 56 letters

**F I G G N I U Y I X G**

**K H Y F V T J W Z**

**B H Y I A I Y V H K Z G N I**

**Y W Z U W Z U U Y H H A I T**

**H B P N X Z U I .**

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> |

3. Clue: Y = R

Hard · 56 letters

Y V S K U L N , Y V S K U L N

A F A U L Y S Z L C

Y X F A R Q , H L N Y V S K

N X R Z L C C R Y

A V S Q N Y R C V S !

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 = T

Hard · 56 letters

**F B M Q G N Q W F Y N**

**K X K N W F F Y Q R L Q R**

**F Y N A B K M O . D B W F**

**J N B J M N N I Q W F ,**

**F Y X F Q W X M M .**

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: M = E

Medium · 56 letters

**A O M L M B P E J U A G E**

**U V T G J U A G P Z G V Z P**

**B M J M J M E M Z A T O U V M**

**G Z O Q B U Z O G V A P J 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: N = E

Hard · 56 letters

E V N E N N E V D X E V N

O P O O B T J N

Z J D L W U Z , L V W G N

E V N D G Q Q D Z W K

Z U T L W U Z A D U N 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 |

### 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. "Young men think old men are fools; but old men know young men are fools."

— George Chapman, 1605, *All Fools, Act V. Sc. 1* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Let the great world spin forever down the ringing grooves of change."

— Alfred Tennyson, 1842, *Poems (1842), Locksley Hall. Line 182* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes, But ring the fuller minstrel in!"

— Alfred Tennyson, 1850, *In Memoriam A.H.H., CV. Stanza 5* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all."

— Oscar Wilde, 1891, *The Soul of Man Under Socialism*

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

5. "The democratic aspiration is no mere recent phase in human history."

— Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1941, *Third Inaugural Address*

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

6. "The teeth of the puppy are growing, while the old dog is gnawing bones."

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

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