

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 143

6 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: Z = A

Medium · 56 letters

B M I S H Z C B Z J H R G J S E Y

S E O I I O M F G L F E ' H

Z V V Z S G H , C F Z U H Z

U Z E Y F G I W H C S V 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

2. Clue: T = E

Hard · 56 letters

C D T B H S B V F D T M D T Q R F

G T B R G D T F D T T M , G D T V

W E G F N H E O D G D T

X N B P T Q F X T T 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

3. Clue: I = O

Hard · 56 letters

H I B I M V U G J B V , A L N V

V J A G Z , Z I X C L G G N V V

Z I X A I C P D J A S J P U

B D J B I O I B D V A N .

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: Y = E

Hard · 57 letters

X U Y A J C M Y S N X U Y

M D E A Y T B Y O S D X T E A Y B

X S X U T S Z E X B Y C N E D X S

Y A Y T V F S E D X .

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: A = E

Medium · 57 letters

S N A Y A J X Y B L Z

Z L Y A D T C N S Z L Y S N T D

G X S T L G T D C Y A X S X G B

A X D T E I Z L Y A S L E B .

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: D = T

Expert · 57 letters

D U T K T I D , D U T K B A M H C ,

I H B M H Y P N N Z H M P H

E G T T D L Z I S S

M N N P A D I J M D K I H B V P 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

Answer key

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1. "Who is always prying into other men's affairs, leads a dangerous life."

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

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

2. "When many shepherds tend the sheep, they but so much the longer sleep."

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

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

3. "Go to bed late, rise early, you will see your own harm and that of others."

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

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

4. "The value of the universe contrives to throw itself into every point."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, *Essays: First Series*

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

5. "The reward of foresight for this Nation is great and easily foretold."

— Theodore Roosevelt, 1907, *Seventh Annual Message to Congress*

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

6. "They eat, they drink, and in communion sweet Quaff immortality and joy."

— John Milton, 1667, *Paradise Lost*, Book V. Line 637 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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