

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 145

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: U = E

Medium · 57 letters

J C J A L U D

H J V R A J V R Z A U R

Y L V I F D U R X U A A U D

A L J R A U R Y L V I F D U R

M R U C J A L U 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

2. Clue: U = E

Hard · 57 letters

S U S C K O D

H M W T U R E U T, C Z I

K D U J U W U S H Z I U W

H P K D U T L U O K C O R U

U Z K D W C R R T M T.

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: Q = E

Medium · 57 letters

R S Q Y H E H G Q U K W U

Y R G H U W Z N Y K H S Q Y

H S U K Q M Z N M Q Y Q Z U

R A W U K R I Y W S M

G H S 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

4. Clue: R = N

Medium · 57 letters

P Q Z D P G , L C R L J H G C ,

P R I T C G G - H D C I Q P R

T J G G R Z A P K K D Z R A

Q C , - P R I R Z Z A M C D

B P 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

5. Clue: B = A

Hard · 57 letters

L B U W B V S B A H P W W X

B K

O B Z Z W M H - O M B S C X Z ,

B X O R X W B X R K L W M

I V B F F W M - I V B S C X Z .

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 · 57 letters

Y S O U K T T J U D V

W Q M N U R S W U Q D T R S T

I V F U S Q Y V C T B

U J U Q X S K Y R L

O U B T Q U V Q I 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

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. "A father maintains ten children better than ten children one father."

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

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

2. "We watch ourselves, and the mere wonder of the spectacle enthralls us."

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

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

3. "One simile that solitary shines in the dry desert of a thousand lines."

— Alexander Pope, 1738, *Imitations of Horace, Satires, Epistles, and Odes of Horace. Epistle I. Book II. Line 111* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "A moral, sensible, and well-bred man will not affront me, - and no other can."

— William Cowper, 1782, *Poems (1782), Conversation. Line 193* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Have always been at daggers-drawing, And one another clapper-clawing."

— Samuel Butler, 1664, *Hudibras, Part II, Canto II. Line 79* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "It behooves a prudent person to make trial of everything before arms."

— Terence, 161 BC, *Eunuchus, Act IV. Sc. 7, 19. (789)* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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