

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 146

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: C = E

Medium · 57 letters

J E C L J C I Z K D C

G F Q W C Z Y C W, J C

H C C Z A E K A L G G L C

C Z W C E K W K Q U P E A

A G I Z K D C F W .

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

Hard · 57 letters

N Z H F Y E H B Q O Y Q H

Y G S P J F E, J E S N Z H

X H P H O H H G Y G O H Q N

N Z Y G W J D O N N B

R P J I B Q .

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 = I

Hard · 57 letters

L W Y L F W N I W N C

M T C Y N H , B Y G J P

C K X Z P T ; L W Y L

F W N I W N C C Y N H ,

I Y T T X L J P M T C Y N 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

4. Clue: K = E

Medium · 57 letters

R K J Z M K Z B B

I Y P P T N T K A O

I O X K A H O J O L

K A S Y X K O J K

Q T I P L X O Y A K I L P

L O J K X 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

5. Clue: Z = O

Medium · 57 letters

F Z G A B F N U Z K D U O

D U E Z V D O Z P F N

Q D S O G Z V D B U K A K V

K T W K H G D G B Z F U G Z Z

A B N A .

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 = E

Medium · 57 letters

M D W W D S Q L U Y

F Z N O L R Y U D X C Z L

K S D D Z J D L X A Q ,

W O L Z M D M A F Z X W A L

W O A S Z - M F N 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

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. "When we blame ourselves, we feel that no one else has a right to blame us."

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

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

2. "The wine of life is drawn, and the mere lees is left this vault to brag of."

— William Shakespeare, 1606, *Macbeth*, Act II. Sc. 3 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "That which is unsaid, may be spoken; that which is said, cannot be unsaid."

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

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

4. "We have all sufficient strength to endure the misfortunes of others."

— Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, *Maximes*, 19 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Nothing so easy as for a young lady to raise her expectations too high."

— Jane Austen, 1815, *Emma*

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

6. "Better walk unshackled in a green meadow, than be bound to a thorn-bush."

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

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