

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 149

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: D = E

Expert · 57 letters

B E Y V D Z P D C A D Z E P

Z E C B E Y V D Z P D C

W D B P L V D Z V D K J D

K X F Y B H B W B G D V P F M

A Z E .

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: R = A

Medium · 57 letters

A S C S R T Y Q V I R Y R

I L F G Q T F Q O L F D C D ?

K Q G V S L T O E R L Y

G D R T Q Y , - I R Y L T

Y Q V R K E C .

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: V = E

Hard · 57 letters

O I O B T J B V U V X

O B S W K T B C Y D W A K O W

K T J F D W J T R V

T B N P D V B E V J K O U V

I O R V K T 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

4. Clue: M = T

Medium · 57 letters

J M J L C Q J B M N

Q M M O F E M M N X O O E Q

L O G W O M I W N F N B O

S U N U Q L Q W J R U M M N

X B N S J 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

5. Clue: J = T

Medium · 57 letters

J K M U I T J H Q D C K I T

I T B Q Q G I D W B K J J Q

J K M Y U M I T R D M T Q V

S Q R J K I T J K M

V W D T 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

6. Clue: T = O

Hard · 57 letters

X D Q X T Z T D P M T E

R T T L O D Y T F D X N V ,

V I P E E K L D

V N P Y T F E I M D Y T F

X N P D K F M N M A P .

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. "Increased means and increased leisure are the two civilizers of man."

— Benjamin Disraeli, 1872, *Speech, April 3, 1872* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Why has not man a microscopic eye? For this plain reason, - man is not a fly."

— Alexander Pope, 1734, *An Essay on Man, Epistle I. Line 193* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "A man is never anything but what his outside influences have made him."

— Mark Twain, 1906, *What Is Man? and Other Essays*

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

4. "It is vain to attempt to keep a secret from one who has a right to know it."

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

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

5. "The last born has as good a right to the pleasures of youth as the first."

— Jane Austen, 1813, *Pride and Prejudice*

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

6. "He who does not look before him, must take misfortune for his earnings."

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

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