

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 152

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: C = E

Medium · 58 letters

S O Z W U F V Z S O X B S E J J
 I C H C L K F O X B J L D C
 V Z S O X B S I C U E I L ; V O E S ' F
 L X W C Z F L X W 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

2. Clue: M = E

Hard · 58 letters

K Y M L Q N A J R L M ' G
 S Y X A E N J A N Z Z G M X G E Z D ,
 M L I D X L V G Y X F M S Z E L P
 J N J Y M K Y M M Z G .

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: P = T

Expert · 58 letters

Q H D B C P A O Y U O U P P B C P
 P B Y M Q D F U G Y O K R Y I P T
 Q H Z U R X , U H O B Y A K O Y P O
 P B Y K C U 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

4. Clue: Q = E

Hard · 58 letters

V G Q B R E V G I V U R Q Z W R V
 Q I V E Y V G V G Q R P Q W ,
 Q Y V G Q D Q I V Z T Q N R D Q R D
 I N V Q D V G Q 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: P = E

Expert · 58 letters

O I U P G Q A I M S L D K C P O

O K K W P G Y L B Z M S P

Z H M G O , Y I S D K C U P S P W D L

A M T P O A K W R P G .

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: F = S

Medium · 58 letters

J B J F O Z O F F V W P N F J A Z

X Y O E X W B T Q O Z N

A P Z P W X V F F U J W J B , E T X L

T X Z X W O L P Z N 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

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. "Things without all remedy should be without regard; what's done is done."

— William Shakespeare, 1606, *Macbeth*, Act III. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "When fortune's chariot rolls easily, envy and shame cling to the wheels."

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

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

3. "Of what use is it that the cow gives plenty of milk, if she upsets the pail."

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

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

4. "The cow that does not eat with the oxen, either eats before or after them."

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

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

5. "Superfluity comes sooner by white hairs, but competency lives longer."

— William Shakespeare, 1597, *The Merchant of Venice*, Act I. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "It is an assured sign of a worthy and generous spirit, whom honor amends."

— Francis Bacon, 1625, *The Essays or Counsels, Civil and Moral*

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