

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 156

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: D = E

Medium · 59 letters

P Q P G O J

P B B D L B D G G P I A D

S W J E A P S Q I D Q R D D J

W L L W G P J V O J K

D J K F B P J V E W B S D 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

2. Clue: X = E

Hard · 59 letters

H X I U X I Y M E J J M S W P P
 S W L Q I P P L Q X Y I L W J Y D
 J Z L Q X X I B L Q U J Y L W Y V X
 V Y R B J N X 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

3. Clue: D = E

Medium · 59 letters

D T T E T E R E M H P H E P Z J U
 F D X E W D T J X D V O L D T D
 T D J B E P H B W D R X R T D D
 X E I E Z F J X H 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

4. Clue: E = T

Hard · 59 letters

X E X N T B E E A O

W D O M E O N E F O M Q E X O N

E A M E X T N Y X D O E A O L B N E

Y D B P B Q T H Y M N N X B 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

5. Clue: D = T

Medium · 59 letters

C R T V N D K V D N H T R

N D R R W J R O T N Y F D X R

G H V F B O D Y H F N H G H V U

P U R B Y D N D U V P D V 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

6. Clue: W = E

Medium · 59 letters

S O N L Y O T F K I N S

C M R W I T S T Q W F I G Z F C O ,

B W S O F Q W T C N K W S O T I Y

T I K W G F I Y W Z N L 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

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. "It is an irrepressible conflict between opposing and enduring forces."

— William H. Seward, 1858, *Speech, Oct. 25, 1858* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Peace and good will with all the nations of the earth continue unbroken."

— William McKinley, 1897, *First Annual Message to Congress*

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

3. "Error of opinion may be tolerated where reason is left free to combat it."

— Thomas Jefferson, 1801, *First Inaugural Address. March 4, 1801* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "It is not the greatest beauties that inspire the most profound passion."

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

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

5. "We must put some steel beams in the foundations of our credit structure."

— Herbert Hoover, 1931, *State of the Union Address*

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

6. "Though I am not splenitive and rash, Yet have I something in me dangerous."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet, Act V. Sc. 1* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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