

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 157

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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: Q = E

Expert · 59 letters

H Q Y P X Q C Q Q L

M R X R S , Y F I P L , P L Z

A Q S R J R G F C

S R O Q A U D X Q A R B R Q Z

P L Z J S G A R B R Q 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

2. Clue: J = E

Medium · 59 letters

N R C W J F H T B W J D J W

K Z Q Q O K X I T J

N F O I K B Z N R C W J ;

K Z Q R J I F W K R R I C

V J Q B I K I B C 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

3. Clue: C = N

Hard · 59 letters

A F O O I J G O A F O O I

J G S J L C E P A C E J

H V O S L M C Y , D E V C E T

J E M F C E V C M Y G J E T

P S L M C 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: Q = O

Medium · 59 letters

C Q C Q L C S Q Q J ,

D H Y Z S Q Q J , D H Y Z

H R K H G G H M V S Q Q J ;

N M J Z H V L V L C M Q V ;

L V L C X I V C Q C 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

5. Clue: H = A

Hard · 59 letters

J X V M W U Y S B H A X

W H A O X A M F I G M G I

V U M W M W H Y M W X

H Y Y F N H Y K X F J H

S F F O X L H E I D 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

6. Clue: P = E

Expert · 59 letters

Q P I Q D X K W F D E

Y D B M K O N F D T S P N F L

Y Q P O E P W R Q D S X V I

E Q P Y K D E Q S V E Q P

I O B M K 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. "We have seen civil, human, and religious liberty verified and glorified."

— Warren G. Harding, 1921, *Inaugural Address*

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

2. "Close up his eyes and draw the curtain close; And let us all to meditation."

— William Shakespeare, 1592, *King Henry VI, Part II. Act III. Sc. 3* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Sleep the sleep that knows not breaking, Morn of toil nor night of waking."

— Sir Walter Scott, 1810, *The Lady of the Lake, Canto I. Stanza 31* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "So so is good, very good, very excellent good; and yet it is not; it is but so so."

— William Shakespeare, 1600, *As You Like It, Act V. Sc. 1* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Few things are harder to put up with than the annoyance of a good example."

— Mark Twain, 1894, *The Tragedy of Pudd'nhead Wilson*

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

6. "He should not complain of being cheated who buys the cloth by the sample."

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

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