

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 165

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: N = T

Hard · 62 letters

D H D P A N F L O E F N G F C S F

E D R C O M Y R V Z C D N A

N F P L G C R N L N F D G L P J V ,

Y J N D P M N F D G L P J V .

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 = E

Medium · 62 letters

X V V Y R J M V E Y R

O N R Y G R V W R G B J O N R

K Y M A B W R Y R J O B D

G B T K R O L , X J Q J B Y X J

K Y M A B W R 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 = O

Medium · 62 letters

R Q H G H T R L Y M Z U T , M T

R Q H V P C C P Z L I P E H I G

Q M T U R , R P L I P B U R G X

R Q H B P Y Y X P B P R Q H I 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

4. Clue: B = O

Medium · 62 letters

T D O U D B J X Z K B I

H B K U H Q R K H R D P S R

S P H P I Q B K P U T R X X P U

B I D R V H B J V I U B ' I D '

K P I Q B K ?

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: G = E

Medium · 62 letters

M G P J T S G P L O A R C J M

C V H P L G C V V M T . S J P C V H

P L G U P L G H G T P V C J T

B V J M I A V P T J B B G G 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

6. Clue: L = A

Hard · 62 letters

S O H L T M J E X C I O L K L T

M J E K L Z C T X L Q V O M Q N

G W C T X L V N J T X L V W O

Y J O V T J G L Y K C E O C 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

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. "Every thought which genius and piety throw into the world, alters the world."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, *Essays: Second Series*

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

2. "All men plume themselves on the improvement of society, and no man improves."

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

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

3. "The best plan is, as the common proverb has it, to profit by the folly of others."

— Pliny the Elder, 77, *Natural History (Naturalis Historia)*, Book XVIII. Sect. 31 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Why should not conscience have vacation as well as other courts o' th' nation?"

— Samuel Butler, 1664, *Hudibras, Part II, Canto II. Line 317* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Let us be thankful for the fools. But for them the rest of us could not succeed."

— Mark Twain, 1897, *Following the Equator*

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

6. "We can forgive a man for making a useful thing as long as he does not admire it."

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

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