

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 167

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: L = S

Medium · 62 letters

K M M Y Q B M V , A K F

L P L W U X M L Y Q A L U H G K

G Z Z H ; T F Z D L Q M K M

G Z B M V , K F J B U G Z B A L

Y Q L W H K 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

2. Clue: J = T

Expert · 62 letters

L J L V K I J R Z T B L J J Z P
 J I J U Z B I V J Z M O L J G X N Z
 I W B Z K J I X Z G A O P E Z
 L K U L V I S K D G O V 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: O = E

Easy · 62 letters

Q P Q U X H N N W ' U W Q H O , X U
 P Y O Z V Q W W H Q M C V Y O M
 P Y O Z R O P P N P Y O O M C N H
 Q P , Q H M N P G O H N S O .

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: K = A

Medium · 62 letters

P B Y K J Q L I M K T C G K Q J ,

P B Y K A L P G Q K H P B Y G , K T

C X T W B Q T G Y B Y C G

Q K I Z K Q Y M G C L Q Q X G 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

5. Clue: B = I

Hard · 62 letters

L D E I U N B D U G D V Q T

K D A F L U I L T F P W B U F

Y F D Y N I E C B W I Q I L T

M F W U B D L I Q T B X B M B D L 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

6. Clue: V = T

Hard · 62 letters

V I N X U Q N U D D B J C V I U V

D G Q Y N B V L B V I V S S

R G J I , U D V I N X V I U V

D V U Q P N L B V I F S V I B F 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

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. "At thirty, man suspects himself a fool; Knows it at forty, and reforms his plan."

— Edward Young, 1745, *Night Thoughts, Night I. Line 417* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

2. "It is not permitted to the most equitable of men to be a judge in his own cause."

— Blaise Pascal, 1670, *Pensees (Thoughts), Chap. IV. 1* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

3. "It is a fool's life, as they will find when they get to the end of it, if not before."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

4. "Not a drum was heard, not a funeral note, As his corse to the rampart we hurried."

— Charles Wolfe, 1817, *The Burial of Sir John Moore after Corunna* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

5. "No patriot would foment and excite geographical and sectional divisions."

— James K. Polk, 1848, *Fourth Annual Message to Congress*

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

6. "They are as sick that surfeit with too much, as they that starve with nothing."

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

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