

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 17

6 puzzles · Large 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: R = E

Hard · 41 letters

V F R

X A E R J U V T A E D A N D U

T I Z T Q U V F R E X W R

K C V F R F R T 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: A = N

Expert · 41 letters

A U N R S A D F T A M K

Y U A K T N U A F K

R T X N S G Q T A Y

W Z C Y K A N G 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

3. Clue: A = C

Hard · 41 letters

P T A K D Y A C X P O O

K D J C N C M P Y R, X K B,

A K D Y A C N D B A U F X Y

N 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

4. Clue: P = E

Hard · 41 letters

Q Z U T A P K N G X I P J O,

U T W O N X V G T P D C J J

Q Z U T A P D C V Z K N 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

5. Clue: G = S

Hard · 41 letters

C D R C P R B C P G D G

P Z X R C D N M X D G Z X R

G K R G R K Y Y

C K J G D Y 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

6. Clue: H = T

Hard · 41 letters

T H T A H D V

Q O A H V J - M D V V F H D O H

Q O P V A H D V Q T F F E Z

J Z C L 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

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. "The understanding is always the dupe of the heart."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1665, Maximes, 102 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "Nothing can be done at once hastily and prudently."

— *Publilius Syrus, 42 BC, Sententiae (Maxims), 557 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "If chance will have me king, why, chance may crown me."

— *William Shakespeare, 1606, Macbeth, Act I. Sc. 3 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Change yourself, and fortune will change with you."

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

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

5. "He that chases another does not sit still himself."

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

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

6. "It is the master-wheel that makes the mill go round."

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

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