

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 177

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: L = E

Expert · 65 letters

P L M Y D T L I F C S B F T

I F C S B , B X N X Q Q X U

I F C S B U L I L U F T W X J

F G B S L T M X I G X N

M X G T L O D L G M L .

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: T = E

Hard · 65 letters

R J T X H D T G I J D T G

I L R J T X H R A L H C

P I W C F X B B T X C A B P

L A G E , V W H

C P D D T H J A Z X B D T G

G T O T 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

3. Clue: X = T

Hard · 65 letters

N Z X N F X I A D U Q N A Q

O W Q A D Z Q Q F X N J I Z ,

Y A S S D J X O Z

F H H W Q Z U J R X F T A D V

K F L X A D X N Z R L F B .

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: F = E

Medium · 65 letters

P W F U A I Q P F L T M A S

V T Q I F N H I V S A I

Q A C F M H U T Q P W H P

T P V F Q P I A G Q

I F Q J F D P S A I H M M

M H U .

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: Q = E

Medium · 65 letters

D W Q X Q M X Q K Z O Q

O Q E F W Z M X Q B M R K Q

B X Z O F A K W A E L

M R F M N K D Z M T T Q M X

F W M D D W Q N M X Q E Z D .

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: K = A

Medium · 65 letters

Z H R T C J K P Q
N Z I Q L C M E Z C J K N ,
K T N K L A Q K
F J K L C Q L K T C J Q
E Z B S , C Y I N Y E Y B
E J Y H Z U N Q K T 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

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

Answer key

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1. "Because right is right, to follow right were wisdom in the scorn of consequence."

— *Alfred Tennyson, 1833, Poems (1832), OEnone (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "Great men or men of great gifts you shall easily find, but symmetrical men never."

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

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

3. "He that minds his business at home, will not be accused of taking part in the fray."

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

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

4. "The worst evil of disregard for some law is that it destroys respect for all law."

— *Herbert Hoover, 1929, Inaugural Address*

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

5. "There are some men who are false from wishing always to appear what they are not."

— *Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1871, Reflections; or Sentences and Moral Maxims (J. Hain Friswell translation, 1871)*

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

6. "I must have liberty Withal, as large a charter as the wind, To blow on whom I please."

— *William Shakespeare, 1600, As You Like It, Act II. Sc. 7 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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