

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 179

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: D = L

Medium · 65 letters

K D P P B I T P S K F ,

F Z V F Z W N Z P O P W A

S P F C K S O Z K A

Q W D D E N K D D Z V M O D E

C K S O V S E F Z K S Y

W D A W .

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: M = E

Expert · 66 letters

W M E M B P S R

W M R S U I M N O Q U E S D M

M X P K - N P R Q U R M N

P E H A M Y R M S D M P A

Z M Y E R U B P E T O A P E L

F U 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

3. Clue: R = E

Medium · 66 letters

Z L R N R ' U N Q U R O V N P ,

Z L V Z ' U Y Q N

N R O R O W N V K S R ; . . .

V K G Z L R N R H U

A V K U H R U , Z L V Z ' U

Y Q N Z L Q I T L Z 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

4. Clue: G = I

Medium · 66 letters

N M G A K T B P I Q , A G C K

S M K T G P U K L W T B

I A W I C , L Z P O S M K

U L K B S I G L I Z G S ,

B P X G O O S G A A B S

M W D 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: I = E

Hard · 66 letters

F S I V L S I Z B N H E

T B A I B M L B J L S I

T B M V T Y Z - S B M E I ,

L S I K Q N I F Y E I N

L S Q V F S I V L S I K

F I V L Y 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
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

6. Clue: B = E

Medium · 66 letters

E T I H U O I J V E F B D
R U F Z B
I P B E U - F B N T B C F Z E C
U I N I D B L D E W R F K
F Z E U R U E
N R O C H N N B D T I U 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

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. "I look upon it, that he who does not mind his belly will hardly mind anything else."

— Samuel Johnson, 1791, *Boswell, Life of Johnson, Life of Johnson (Boswell). Vol. II. Chap. IX (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "Benefits bestowed upon the evil-disposed increase their means of injuring you."

— Aesop, 1867, *Aesop's Fables (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)*

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

3. "There's rosemary, that's for remembrance; . . . and there is pansies, that's for thoughts."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet, Act IV. Sc. 5 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "While fancy, like the finger of a clock, Runs the great circuit, and is still at home."

— William Cowper, 1785, *The Task, Book IV. The Winter Evening. Line 118 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "When the lords come out of the council-house, they are wiser than when they went in."

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

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

6. "A pound of water in the ocean-tempest has no more gravity than in a midsummer pond."

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

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