

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 180

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: O = A

Hard · 66 letters

E V P X P M Q S N Z L V O H

F O X L V P J C B O B J C B ,

O B J Z E H H E P M V O H

P I O N E P J W X P P J C F

O B J V Q F O B Z E 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

2. Clue: A = T

Medium · 66 letters

F A F O H C Y V D J N Z O

A N D C A G U D J J F D O

X F A U A U D V J D C A ,

A U D E A U J N X A U D

O A N Y D O C A E N Z J

U D C H .

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: L = T

Easy · 66 letters

T L T Y G Q L L Q N L V

U Q F B Q F B Q Y Y Q U

O W X T U U Q H, L I F W L V

F L L Q J S L L V K F N N C

T L E I Q W T L T Y

X O U 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: D = E

Medium · 66 letters

S J M C K D P X J D T

U J W E D M N H W K R D T

B W K H P U C W G , K M T

X J M L R J X M N X D K H D T

J W E E P K D U U Z D X T W 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: B = O

Medium · 66 letters

Q G A Q B R G V X V Q G

N B D V Y G R D J I B T

Q J X X Q B C R I G M X J X

X B B T D O V G M O B M P G I

V B P D M M F V Q G P B A .

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: A = O

Medium · 66 letters

N K E L R A Z V F K V J A X ,
I A K I D ; N G D A Z U D G
R A Z Y Q V Q K
Y D Q Q T C K V V A Y Y D Q X
N E G Z S C T Q J A P Q V
R A 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

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. "The Republic has marched on and on, and its step has exalted freedom and humanity."

— William McKinley, 1901, *Second Inaugural Address*

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

2. "It is dangerous to eat cherries with the great, they throw the stones at your head."

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

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

3. "It is better to leave a vessel unfilled, than to attempt to carry it when it is full."

— Laozi, 1891, *Tao Te Ching (James Legge translation, 1891)*

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

4. "Whom neither shape of danger can dismay, Nor thought of tender happiness betray."

— William Wordsworth, 1807, *Poems in Two Volumes, Character of the Happy Warrior (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "He who lets the goat be laid on his shoulders is soon after forced to carry the cow."

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

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

6. "I ask your pardon, coach; I thought you were a wheelbarrow when I stumbled over you."

— Irish proverb, 1859, *Recorded in Walter K. Kelly, Proverbs of All Nations, Compared, Explained, and Illustrated (London, 1859)*

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