

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 187

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: T = E

Medium · 68 letters

F A T N V G G T G L H L X B

J T L J K T V B T E T F F T B

H T W, O K L F A T W, V D W

A L X G T W F A V D F A T Q B

H V F A T B G P T B 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: Y = E

Medium · 68 letters

K Y L W A Y T X Y N E S B A S L S

K R E Y L P N L Z P Y T Z Y

D S O Y L S X R Y Y E Y T L P Y

W T X Y B L N J Y B Z R K K C Y

A S B B 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

3. Clue: B = T

Medium · 68 letters

U Y U L W B D G Z V G A V H H Q H L

C F Q , D U M R T S M H L

Q U F Q M W , Z H B G Z G B A U M T ,

C S B C W G B A

O G L O S J A B F Z O U 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

4. Clue: M = E

Easy · 68 letters

Y O O F Y C C B N X C G D Y G

C J S S M L G D M T C M O W M C G N

K M L M O B C D M E Y X E

E B H M C G M E Y L M K J G

T N E M L Y G 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

5. Clue: D = T

Medium · 68 letters

P D P W G H D F W D F D X D H

E X W F Z X Q U X G D X I X M

P G D H B P D A M H V E D Z V Q

Z X X Q P G N W , B P D A A F Q Z F

A X F I 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: B = I

Medium · 68 letters

B O B N B F X C B F Q V E C

K C F O V E B N D D C E A I H G V

G C N O G D E D Y W O D V Q

A I B F J B F L D T C A A O G D

K V E F B F 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

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 masses of our people are better fed, clothed, and housed than their fathers were."

— Benjamin Harrison, 1889, *Inaugural Address*

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

2. "Let us endeavor so to live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry."

— Mark Twain, 1894, *The Tragedy of Pudd'nhead Wilson*

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

3. "Everything is good or bad, helpful or deadly, not in itself, but by its circumstances."

— Robert Louis Stevenson, 1881, *Virginibus Puerisque and Other Papers*

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

4. "All passions that suffer themselves to be relished and digested are but moderate."

— Michel de Montaigne, 1580, *Essays, Book I, Chap. II. Of Sorrow* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

5. "It is not a state to be safely entered into with doubtful feelings, with half a heart."

— Jane Austen, 1815, *Emma*

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

6. "It is in vain for a man to rise early who has the repute of lying in bed all the morning."

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

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