

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 189

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: Y = A

Medium · 69 letters

J N G G L M I F Y K K Y D F Z

D Q J B N

X Y F S N J - R G Y T N , Y Q E

M Q N C D G G T Y G G

J B N X A G Y T S Y Q E

Y Q M J B N F C B D J N .

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: X = E

Medium · 69 letters

X K M C Y S I F I F K Q L

R Q C G I O R U F C K I K

Y K Q K Q L X K M C G I

X Q F G F Z X L F R V X

T S L P X L I R Z X Z B

F C X U X V 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

3. Clue: C = E

Hard · 69 letters

N T I B X A A

G O P G P O U N P T I Y C

V Q I U R C X Q U N C I

I C C , X T S N T I D P O U

B C X I Q O C I A N K C B X Z

G C O K C W U R 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: Q = E

Expert · 69 letters

W Q F I Q Q S Y E U X U L M ,

X G C L Q Q B G M N

Q T N Q S G X U I Q U O G M S

N I Q N S X G P E J U U J N R

D I J F I M N I Q S L

K J A 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

5. Clue: H = O

Medium · 69 letters

L E H T I U L T Y E R V R B ,

S H H P H B U S H C T I O

R I H B O , A O R C , I Q M O

S E O S T C M , B H

A C H S E O C B O R C S E O

S E C H B 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

6. Clue: Z = O

Medium · 69 letters

H R S O X J J O X L N Q Z

Y O Q Z Z N E Z L Q Q Z C O

N J O M Q R M M K L N R M W

X M R Y Z N R Q B Z L

L O W R N Q O L R M W

D L Z M W N .

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. "Tell your affairs in the market-place, and one will call them black and another white."

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

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

2. "Each must stand on his worth as a man and each is entitled to be judged solely thereby."

— *Theodore Roosevelt, 1904, Fourth Annual Message to Congress*

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

3. "In small proportions we just beauties see, And in short measures life may perfect be."

— *Ben Jonson, 1640, Underwoods, To the immortal Memory of Sir Lucius Cary and Sir Henry Morison. III (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Be cheerful also, and seek not external help nor the tranquillity which others give."

— *Marcus Aurelius, 1862, Meditations (George Long translation, 1862)*

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

5. "Should such a man, too fond to rule alone, Bear, like the Turk, no brother near the throne."

— *Alexander Pope, 1735, Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot, Prologue to the Satires. Line 197 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "Life appears to me too short to be spent in nursing animosity or registering wrongs."

— *Charlotte Bronte, 1847, Jane Eyre*

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