

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 190

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: Q = A

Hard · 69 letters

P Q U K P Q A B Q W Q I V B

L D I O E U B, N M D I B P Q G U

E U T B I R I B T Q U T

Z Q O M B O G X Q W W K J O E Z G T

O D O M B W Q J 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

2. Clue: D = T

Medium · 69 letters

D X U N B C M X J G V

J V D U C D B D G J E V J W X G V

N J I U V D Q G V D M G C D J

D X U V D B D E U D X B D M U B F V

B W G Z - R U B 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

3. Clue: H = A

Easy · 69 letters

Y W O T O X U H G O H W H D

H Q U O X P Y W W O X E I U L J O W

Y J H T O J H P H E H P

W Y S J U ; H W P U J O W U J O

W H D U H G O F N 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

4. Clue: E = A

Medium · 69 letters

E S S Q A E Q A E D D Y L R B R

 E R X R X E S E L P M E J B S B E K

 E R Q A Y K G R Y B L R D K B L C

 E L P Q A Y W K G D B L

 R X J J Y 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: Y = E

Easy · 69 letters

S F K N V N I C G L Y U Y V C Z F

 R C U F N W Y V S I N C U N F S

 P C V Y R Y V I S N U W Y G Y U F Y

 I E S U L V Y S I S V P S P Y U I 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

6. Clue: X = O

Hard · 69 letters

P X N E C B N W W E L Z

M X G O X M Z K U X G X A

M Z T N U T K T K X D L T X E O L

K Y L U D C L Q D L L T X A

M X G T Z G Q N U G U K S .

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. "Many make a large fortune, who remain underbred and pathetically stupid to the last."

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

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

2. "The man who is ostentatious of his modesty is twin to the statue that wears a fig-leaf."

— Mark Twain, 1897, *Following the Equator*

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

3. "I never take a nap after dinner but when I have had a bad night; and then the nap takes me."

— Samuel Johnson, 1791, *Boswell, Life of Johnson, Life of Johnson (Boswell). Vol. VI. Chap. I. 1775 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "All that happens is as usual and familiar as the rose in spring and the crop in summer."

— Marcus Aurelius, 170, *Meditations, IV. 44 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "A spirit of generous consideration is a more certain defense than great armaments."

— Calvin Coolidge, 1927, *State of the Union Address*

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

6. "Would puzzle a convocation of casuists to resolve their degrees of consanguinity."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1605, *Don Quixote, Part I, Book III. Chap. VIII (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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