

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 196

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: U = T

Easy · 71 letters

B H U I I A Y Z I X E

U S L Z , D W U X I U I R

U S L Z ; B X Y H S G I W A

I R U S I W E S U H M S B T S

M L G L X I U U S L B G

U S I W E S U 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

2. Clue: B = R

Medium · 71 letters

J L O Q T M M H Q E

L T B B T B T P C L T X O

X L F M S D B T C X

J L B O F J X J L O

P T B K T B Q F Q M

C F Q M O B H Q E

G F X X O Q E O 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

Medium · 71 letters

F C K B F K B E B K M C W

D O N L O I Y B W O

K R M S H , G Z H S O T C

I C H H E C Q Q B F K B K

C O W H S O K Q

Y B W M B H H C K S C O T C 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

4. Clue: X = E

Expert · 71 letters

A V R Q K X V K H X

P X G V A X P J F C I E K Q

Q Y I V E Z Y Y J W N F Z

N F W X R Q X O Q V V

Y X J W N H M N F Q Y X

K I V R X V D H N D X .

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: W = O

Expert · 71 letters

K F K X L P D R O W W T

N W D R W I F W Y P K E

F U P C M R , M E T F W

S E W C C U M F H P W H J P

X M R W N R W I Y P U K E T

R W I D Y M G 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

6. Clue: M = I

Medium · 71 letters

M A M J J W O J O U C

C B O M T F H H N

V Q Y J M C M O W Y L N

Z H J J H A C B O X,

C B O M T D Y N

V Q Y J M C M O W Y L N

Y K H M N C B O X.

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. "I stood among them, but not of them; in a shroud of thoughts which were not their thoughts."

— Lord Byron, 1816, *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*, Canto III, Stanza 113 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "The nodding horror of whose shady brows Threats the forlorn and wandering passenger."

— John Milton, 1637, *Comus*, Line 38 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "We now no longer camp as for a night, but have settled down on earth and forgotten heaven."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

4. "Most people become bankrupt through having invested too heavily in the prose of life."

— Oscar Wilde, 1891, *The Picture of Dorian Gray*

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

5. "It is very good for you to be in the way, and to know what people say of you behind your back."

— Oscar Wilde, 1895, *An Ideal Husband*

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

6. "I will select their good qualities and follow them, their bad qualities and avoid them."

— Confucius, 1861, *The Analects* (James Legge translation, 1861)

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