

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 21

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 = E

Expert · 41 letters

D C Q Y M Z T V P Q Z Y U C Q

P Z V X G W Q V J Y Z U E F F Z L

M Z T P Q Y Q H 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

2. Clue: D = R

Medium · 41 letters

J N O Q V D X M Z O Q Z A N D F

J O F W N D P W D Q X , T N M O W M

M L V P W D Q 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

3. Clue: Q = E

Expert · 41 letters

O T F K Y K R L D E F U K Y B P Y U

W F H Q Y U E Q

T Q W Q W G T F R N Q M Q F 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

4. Clue: I = E

Medium · 41 letters

L P S A M N C I R I Y

S J J I C P I P L U F I M C A

H I B U I P K M U T F S C I 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

5. Clue: J = E

Expert · 41 letters

D J K V , I J J , K Z P I K Q

Z M O D G Z T G H Q M F N M F W P

W G X J G Z Y J K A 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

6. Clue: G = E

Expert · 41 letters

O L G E T G D O U H O L G E ,

X J B M S J R B M N P B X J G

X J G D U H Y G P Y G 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. "When you are on the road speak not ill of your enemy."

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

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

2. "I understand a fury in your words, But not the words."

— William Shakespeare, 1604, *Othello*, Act IV. Sc. 2 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "Praising what is lost makes the remembrance dear."

— William Shakespeare, 1605, *All's Well that Ends Well*, Act V. Sc. 3 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "A dog is never offended at being pelted with bones."

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

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

5. "Hear, see, and say nothing if you would live in peace."

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

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

6. "Apes remain apes, though you clothe them in velvet."

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

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