

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 211

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: C = A

Medium · 78 letters

C D B P O Y - R P M B G N P A H M O

C J C O H S C H S C N Q M A H

N P J M H S G O Y L O R P O M , O P H

C Q D C E N S M H S C H S C N

R P O M N P J M H S G O Y .

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: H = O

Medium · 78 letters

I Z L F P Y Y G L D H K I H W

 Z P D I H K P Q M D (H W O Z P V Z

 I Z L F H D I N Q K I Q K L)

 D N H P G Q G G ; I Z L C O P G G

 V Z L O H A K F L Q I W H K A 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

3. Clue: L = E

Easy · 78 letters

C W L I W Z L Q O I C A L

 N K M Z Z , C N M K Q L A L , D R K

 M H K O L Y A M N K Z L , C H V

 H I K E L K O C A V L H L V M H K I

 K O L D I H L I P B C H O I I V .

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

Medium · 79 letters

N U N O M N U N K V E C A Q J F

W F J H Q F P O F J F W Q K Y P

G Y J T Q J N Q J G Q W Q P Q E S ,

C A Y A F O Q F P J Q X

J Q N U A Q P J F W Q J Y P

K F W 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: O = E

Medium · 79 letters

H Y O U C X G R O Z Y T N

T Q K T U D K C Z G T U C P O ;

M X H L D H Y O Z O T G U

U C P O N V Z O T H X Z O

K L H Y C X H L H D J Z L B T H O

C J L G L C G 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 = A

Medium · 79 letters

S Z U V D F J Y V W S Z V Z W E Z

V U B F U E D N N D I J C

B E P R B W I S U Y J U B G U A I D

S F B E U , B I Y W S V W J J

Z B G U I D B I I W G U F A B F 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

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 wordsOF 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. "A wrong-doer is often a man that has left something undone, not always he that has done something."

— *Marcus Aurelius, 170, Meditations, IX. 5 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "The middle sort of historians (of which the most part are) spoil all; they will chew our meat for us."

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

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

3. "A people who are still, as it were, but in the gristle, and not yet hardened into the bone of manhood."

— *Edmund Burke, 1775, Speech on Conciliation with America, Speech on the Conciliation of America. Vol. II. p. 117 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "It is pitiful when a man bears a name for convenience merely, who has earned neither name nor fame."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1862, Walking*

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

5. "The younger had always worn a yoke; but is there any yoked creature without its private opinions?"

— *George Eliot, 1872, Middlemarch*

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

6. "The world with which we are commonly acquainted leaves no trace, and it will have no anniversary."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1862, Walking*

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