

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 215

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: Q = T

Easy · 80 letters

W P I L M Q J Q J P D J V

D P Q P D Y A Q R M

N X V J V P O

L Z P Q M W Q J P D Q P Q R M

W P D V B I M Z N B Q J V

Q R M J D W M D Q J H M Q P

L Z P T Z M V 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

2. Clue: F = T

Hard · 80 letters

F S Q X Q V X Q L V T B

F S W T M H F S V F O Q

O K J R P F S X K O V O V B

W G O Q O Q X Q T K F

V G X V W P F S V F

K F S Q X H L W M S F I W E U

F S Q L J I .

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

Easy · 80 letters

C H Z Q T Q S W H M Q B H

H I Y H Z Q B I W P K U

Y K K H I C S O Y K C O Q ;

C H C B U C V V Q T Q S X Q

W V W D C S C W S H I Y H

E Y O Q B

I W T B Q - T Y X Q 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

4. Clue: H = E

Medium · 80 letters

H Y H B N R K J H O H V I J

G B I O K J S E H D I J G

E I D H U X B H D D K F J ;

I J G S E H B H K D J F

Z F G N O K S E F M S K S D

D X K B K S F B T H J K M 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

5. Clue: V = E

Easy · 80 letters

O J I E I C P G V R C G K

Q V V D D I W V F O K T

T O R W G E D I C O G C R ,

D V Y T I D R O K O R

Z V W I N R V T V T V I Y R

I P O J J V Y V C K

P Y N E E V 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

6. Clue: D = E

Medium · 81 letters

I G D F P W B D H M C I R M D ,

A P P Y R W Z T D V P H D

C W O C V I D H , O H C U B

V H P N D C F G

F P W I D N E A C I R P W

I G D N C I I D H V P H

F P W I D W I .

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. "Competition is not only the basis of protection to the consumer but is the incentive to progress."

— *Herbert Hoover, 1930, State of the Union Address*

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

2. "There are many things that we would throw away if we were not afraid that others might pick them up."

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

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

3. "It were not best that we should all think alike; it is difference of opinion that makes horse-races."

— *Mark Twain, 1894, The Tragedy of Pudd'nhead Wilson*

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

4. "Every line we can draw in the sand has expression; and there is no body without its spirit or genius."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, Essays: Second Series*

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

5. "If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1854, Walden*

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

6. "The conservative, looking before and after, draws from each contemplation the matter for content."

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

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