

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 220

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: K = E

Hard · 84 letters

D R Q F P Y M Q I I L K Z C

P L Z P S K Q U J K X Y C K I L K F

R C K L R I P L K H ; R Q H

O L K C K I L K F K B W K P I

J R P Y Q , D K K I O Z I L

J C Y S K Q J Y Q K U .

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 = E

Easy · 84 letters

I X R A R L M T D C N I X R N

N R D T H M P C

F H W W D N D G Q D . M P D N D ' L C

F C H L I ; H T X R S F B H Z D

I X R L X A D Z H X S D M L , V R M

M P D I T H M P D N D 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

3. Clue: O = E

Easy · 84 letters

L F R O U K X W K G O A D S O

Z D Q U O S O G D S R . T O K X L C

U X D U D Q T M L R P K S Q H K W

U L P O S C W R H D R P L M O S

K X L P W P P W L M K D

X L C P O T A .

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: D = E

Medium · 84 letters

T K T Q X D S E R Q D N D T Q

K N R Q W V D D W V F B

Q K V T I T G H K N E K

K N D V D W F V D G F F G D T G

K N D J F V O C T Q E X O D K F

Q K V T I D J T K N N T 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

5. Clue: I = E

Medium · 84 letters

Q J I I S Y F I J V G I V L M E N

V Y S J I E L I J G I V E H I

L M E V X B N J I N T I H L Q Y J

E R L M Y J B L W E V X

H Y V L B V R E D F B Y D E L B Y V

Y Q D E A .

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 = T

Easy · 84 letters

O H B L F H X B O V H X U

X F J O B F X B O V H G X H H V B

J L V K O B B L Q Y F V K B C L

U O I B V Y I S J T L G B I

G U X O K O H R V S F

G V H I O Q L F X B O V 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

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. "Many count their chickens before they are hatched; and where they expect bacon, meet with broken bones."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1615, *Don Quixote, Part II, Chap. LV* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

2. "You must wear your rue with a difference. There's a daisy; I would give you some violets, but they withered."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet, Act IV. Sc. 5* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

3. "I knew that before you were born. Let him who would instruct a wiser man consider this as said to himself."

— Phaedrus, 25, *Fables, Book V. Fable 9, 4* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

4. "It is because he is thus free from striving that therefore no one in the world is able to strive with him."

— Laozi, 1891, *Tao Te Ching* (James Legge translation, 1891)

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

5. "Free government has no greater menace than disrespect for authority and continual violation of law."

— Calvin Coolidge, 1923, *State of the Union Address*

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

6. "International arbitration cannot be omitted from the list of subjects claiming our consideration."

— William McKinley, 1897, *First Annual Message to Congress*

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