

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 227

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: Z = E

Medium · 88 letters

I U Z W E Y J I E J

P Z T I N Z T Z J J ; I U Z

J Z V D T G E J

Z V D T D C S ; O T G I U Z

I U E Y G E J

J U Y E T Q E T P W Y D C

I O Q E T P

K Y Z V Z G Z T V Z D W

D I U Z Y 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

2. Clue: Y = T

Medium · 88 letters

M N F W Y T F K W N F

Y X F U C X B J F F Y X W Y

J Q P N P Y S W A P J

J Y N B K M F N Y X W K W K U

T W Y F N P W A L B N E F ;

Y X W Y Y X B S M X Y J

N S A F Y X F C B N A Z .

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: J = E

Easy · 89 letters

G R J I J O M E T U E P M E

T Q Q F Q S

X Q C M X O Q A M C J M M Q I

Z A M G T J U R J C

N J Q N T J X Q W J O C E

U E P U R O X R G R J P

F C Q U G Q Z J

Z J C J E G R G R J W .

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: C = O

Medium · 89 letters

E Y E T F C C K

K E T A I P Y E C G , G C Y

Y C B L W P Y C C B D A X

C M L G S B L G L Y Y X P

M E I T Y ; Z P A L D T P

C G P A L G G C Y X C V K

C D Y Y X L Y

R I C R C I Y E C G .

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: H = E

Hard · 89 letters

A J J Y R O I B P I P

H N B P I P B C W G Q B T

F U R I I U H Q C R L H,

R T Y K J T P H S V H T I G Q

R O H W H O E H K I G Q

V T B T I H O H P I B T A B T

F U R I I U H Q R O 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

6. Clue: V = E

Medium · 89 letters

D V E J P F V L W C L L U

B N V V Z , N L S V O V Z ,

Z V A V A F V Z K X C E N G E

E N V A K P W L Z E J X V P

N G Z U V P E E L F V G Z

G Z V E N L P V S N K B N

X V O V Z B L A 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

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. "The first is gentleness; the second is economy; and the third is shrinking from taking precedence of others."

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

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

2. "Great men are they who see that spiritual is stronger than any material force; that thoughts rule the world."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1867, *Progress of Culture. Phi Beta Kappa Address, July 18, 1867* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "There is always a look of consciousness or bustle when people come in a way which they know to be beneath them."

— Jane Austen, 1815, *Emma*

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

4. "It is good discretion, not to make too much of any man at the first; because one cannot hold out that proportion."

— Francis Bacon, 1625, *The Essays or Counsels, Civil and Moral*

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

5. "Good artists exist simply in what they make, and consequently are perfectly uninteresting in what they are."

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

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

6. "Let us be of good cheer, however, remembering that the misfortunes hardest to bear are those which never come."

— James Russell Lowell, 1887, *Democracy and Other Addresses, Democracy and Addresses* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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