

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 239

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: L = E

Easy · 100 letters

Y L J H A A B Z L J R B L X

S A H H X T L D A U L X U B

D R J H L U L B H A X

D G H L , A U L J G P P L K ' J

L Q L , M Y L U H Y L

Z K L L V L M X J T A U L ,

X U B H Y L

U R T Y H R U T X D L M X J

P G H L .

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: O = E

Medium · 100 letters

S O T A O Z V B O K H T N O

B Z V O O U B E T B

B E O A O F Q T K Z B E O A

L Z C B E T K N T M O

B E T K B E T B S E F D E

F Q H O T Q C A O N V A Z H

B E O L O T A Z V Z C A

K T B C A T U P F A B E .

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: F = E

Medium · 101 letters

G M Y F Y V Q S U

D M P G V J F W S V Y O G

U M M N M P J M N N O Y F ;

N M W U S F J F G V W F M N

Q K M W B D K V P Q G F I F P

U M U S F E F G U Y F P

K M P Q F W U S O P O P B

M U S F W A O G G V M P .

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 · 101 letters

R I H T P Y G L S J G D P E

H Y K X I W S H S T J S

W P M W I O M S T I Q, K Y S

P M G B H P E J O J H

S T I B G U D I, J M L R I

H T P Y G L S J D I C O I J S

W J O I R T I O I R I

L O J R S T I G U M 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

5. Clue: W = E

Hard · 101 letters

N R W W X A N R Y X F

I X T W F D K X A L D S F,

N R X N N R W I L M T D E

T W F S Z N D A B I X M,

F N S T L D S F D E

O R X M V W X M T

H Z W X F W T Y L N R

M D K W Z N B, I L V R N Q W

L M T S Z V W 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

6. Clue: D = O

Easy · 101 letters

M D D M C A C Z C M A K D Y

C O X N K C K

X D Y Y N I E P D M, V M A

P E J D N Q A K C C W E D

Z D Q Q D J E L V E M D M C

J D N Q A D I I D K C

U P S D Y D N K

W C V K N Y C K E D

C Y V A P X V E C P E .

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. "He stood beside a cottage lone and listened to a lute, One summer's eve, when the breeze was gone, And the nightingale was mute."

— Thomas K. Hervey, 1830, *The Devil's Progress* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "We are often made to feel that there is another youth and age than that which is measured from the year of our natural birth."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, *Essays: First Series*

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

3. "Some might consider him as too fond of fame; for the desire of glory clings even to the best men longer than any other passion."

— Tacitus, 105, *Historiae*, IV. 6 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "We should talk of subjects that concern them, but only so far as they like, and we should take great care where we draw the line."

— Francois de La Rochefoucauld, 1871, *Reflections; or Sentences and Moral Maxims* (J. Hain Friswell translation, 1871)

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

5. "The earth was made so various, that the mind of desultory man, studious of change and pleased with novelty, might be indulged."

— William Cowper, 1785, *The Task*, Book I. *The Sofa*. Line 506 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "No one defends or excuses corruption, and it would seem to follow that none would oppose vigorous measures to eradicate it."

— *Theodore Roosevelt, 1904, Fourth Annual Message to Congress*

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