

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 240

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: R = O

Easy · 101 letters

B V P F U R M Z X F Z I R K

R K S R D Q M C I V R K! V T

X F Z I R K I H F X F Z I

Q C F K A V T M C Z I

O C Z S L O F X X V F I, V

H R M C W B V P F K R D Z K

Z X F Z I R K M Q R K

S R D Q M C I V R K, 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: K = T

Hard · 101 letters

Y V K K N V S K N F

H B R Z W V S K P A X B K

K N V W A V P K I V L K,

P S R K N V F U G Y Y

I V W P G S T B G V K, P S R

K N X B U G Y K S X K A V

L V V S V G K N V I

E B I L B G S Z X I

P Q X G R G S 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: F = T

Hard · 101 letters

W E F J L P P F S A E [F J T
 K S Y U D B F J T A U M T D]
 L F L P P J S G D J S G
 C O Q J L D N T D O L F E
 U M U L Z P , U D B J S G
 G L P B S C L P U Z G U E P
 U D S M T A C U F Q J K S A
 P F A T D N F 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

4. Clue: L = O

Easy · 102 letters

G E M A L W W L C

A V R M D G Q , L C Z A A

F L L T F L P M D K N M K G ,

L C X M Z I M , X A M K G Q ,

Z K T E Z X X V K M W W ,

N Y W G V K M P V G Z R A Q

C L A A L S Z

T V W W L A Y G V L K L C

G E M Y K V L K .

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: K = T

Easy · 102 letters

P Q C D K ,

T P K R V P F Z B K , P T E

S Z B K C V Z P T , A S C

F D G K B W P V W D F J P T J

B K J F D C G A V Z K Z T I

R T K C R W S D E , P T E

K C R W S D E T C K S Z T I

K S P K S D E Z E T C K

P E C V 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: R = E

Medium · 102 letters

C G C A I T B K R E Z D A

G Z A R R V G Z S R

T Y N T L A G J R Y R T I R E

Z X G J R

F Z B H R E A T G C Z B, T B I

G Z U D A J T K Z Z I

T E K D O R B G G Z Z

J T E I, N J R B N R J T H R

X Z D B I Z B R.

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. "Give you a reason on compulsion! If reasons were as plentiful as blackberries, I would give no man a reason upon compulsion, I."

— William Shakespeare, 1597, *King Henry IV, Part I, Act II. Sc. 4* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Let then thy judgment about them be at rest, and they will remain quiet, and thou wilt not be seen either pursuing or avoiding."

— Marcus Aurelius, 1862, *Meditations* (George Long translation, 1862)

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

3. "By this story [The Fox and the Raven] it is shown how much ingenuity avails, and how wisdom is always an overmatch for strength."

— Phaedrus, 25, *Fables, Book I. Fable 13, 13* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "The loss of liberty, of all good government, of peace, plenty, and happiness, must inevitably follow a dissolution of the Union."

— Andrew Jackson, 1833, *Second Inaugural Address*

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

5. "A Poet, Naturalist, and Historian, Who left scarcely any style of writing untouched, And touched nothing that he did not adorn."

— Samuel Johnson, 1776, *Epitaph on Goldsmith* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "It is dangerous to seek to be always the leader of the conversation, and to push a good argument too hard, when we have found one."

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

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