

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 29

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: K = O

Expert · 42 letters

M K S I U L J K I P J Z X U F

C R X W K C R X I K D

M K S I N X E K C U K J C K

W X .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

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

Hard · 42 letters

H Q G R Z N Q H W V , F P T ,

J W X L J T X F L P G F

G T H B H W V

Q H R J W Y L Z R N .

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: C = E

Hard · 42 letters

T V R I P E C P Q C T E Z

X S E C B E C A M T Q I X A

T S T E A V F I B X S

P C G 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: S = R

Easy · 42 letters

W U H W Y Z V S S K U A

Y E U R Q S C U E H K D D

A Y Y E Z V S S I V

W Q E C S U C .

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: F = T

Hard · 42 letters

N S F S D S K Q R F W E J R ,

C T F G K P F W P F S K P R ,

T P A C N K I S P D C W W 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

6. Clue: O = E Expert · 42 letters

U Z I O R N F Z B V P J O

A M G U E I O I U C C

P N H O R N V P U Q P J O

K N Q E O .

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)

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Answer key

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1. "Your ignorance is the mother of your devotion to me."

— John Dryden, 1668, *Secret Love, or The Maiden Queen*, Act I. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "Employment, sir, and hardships prevent melancholy."

— Samuel Johnson, 1791, *Boswell, Life of Johnson, Life of Johnson (Boswell)*. Vol. VI. Chap. IX. 1777 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "A hundred years of regret pay not a farthing of debt."

— German proverb, 1857, *Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs (London, 1857)*

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

4. "He who carries one burden will soon carry a hundred."

— French proverb, 1857, *Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs (London, 1857)*

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

5. "Litigious terms, fat contentions, and flowing fees."

— John Milton, 1644, *Of Education, Tractate of Education (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "If we pay for the music we will take part in the dance."

— German proverb, 1857, *Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs (London, 1857)*

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