

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 40

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: H = A

Hard · 43 letters

S G L N B G M C , H

C Z G D Y J F L H G - Q H M L R

K B F F H B G , H W L Y L

H G H P S W 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: D = N

Medium · 43 letters

O L O D K G T A X W Z B D W

B D B Q O D T A Q X S Q

Z T N G B K F G T X S

S D S N R 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

3. Clue: P = E

Hard · 43 letters

L P V T Q B S C C A

P W P Z O G L P Z P ,

P E N P T M Q H M L P

T C Z Z Q A S P - K C G 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
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

4. Clue: G = E

Hard · 43 letters

V M G M G S O E W V U G J I G

F P G X J P V T S P B U J

G L G S Z Q W J ' X

T W S F G 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

5. Clue: N = E

Expert · 43 letters

Z N J Z G F N S O N F

C L W U C L F M N S F C V F M

W N P Y N R M F G C N G Q

M Z N 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

6. Clue: J = S

Expert · 43 letters

Z A R Z X Z S J X G U A

T C I G P Z E J F X C P Z ,

S W R S L J T W X R J Z E J

J X C 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. "One Pinch, a hungry lean-faced villain, A mere anatomy."

— William Shakespeare, 1594, *The Comedy of Errors*, Act V. Sc. 1 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "A man should find in it an outlet for his whole energy."

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

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

3. "Help is good everywhere, except in the porridge-bowl."

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

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

4. "The herb patience does not grow in every man's garden."

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

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

5. "He who serves many masters must neglect some of them."

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

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

6. "He who has once burnt his mouth, always blows his soup."

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

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