

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 43

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: C = O

Medium · 43 letters

Y V H X M Y M W R C I R C

R V H E B , Y M C J R M E

Z H W W C P N

C I I C N R P E H R 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

2. Clue: A = O

Expert · 43 letters

N T G H A U M B R Q D A N Q G

A R X A U G Q W K D Z K R C

L A Q G K Y K P A R H A A M .

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: W = E

Hard · 43 letters

W X W U J A K F H I K Y D Y H

W H C - W Z G W Q A Y

D Y M D Y I W , P K F G K

K Y D A P B .

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 = O Expert · 43 letters

F I H H I C N D X Y E L D V J

S G D W I E X I Y I K L

C E S V I C E X

D C U D E R I 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

5. Clue: O = H

Expert · 43 letters

N X F H B Q G B Q G Y V E ,

U V H J Y M O O Y B N X F H

M O F Z O U H F Z I N

V Y E O M .

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: M = E

Hard · 43 letters

M Q M S E C B M U T J B R G

T M T W G L C S M U T W B

T J G G T W S M C H

Z S W J B 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

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. "While we stop to think, we often miss our opportunity."

— *Publilius Syrus, 42 BC, Sententiae (Maxims), 185 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "Misfortune comes on horseback and goes away on foot."

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

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

3. "Everything has an end - except a sausage, which has two."

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

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

4. "Common welfare is the goal of our national endeavor."

— *Warren G. Harding, 1921, Inaugural Address*

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

5. "Fled Murmuring, and with him fled the shades of night."

— *John Milton, 1667, Paradise Lost, Book IV. Line 1014 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

6. "Every one thinks he has more than his share of brains."

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

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