

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 48

6 puzzles · Standard 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: I = T

Hard · 43 letters

N J I I J Q N J U Q M B K U S I T

I T J O H B X I T H B Q S K T I

U S I T I T J R J 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

2. Clue: O = E

Hard · 43 letters

B V O J O H X Y L C L J X O

W J M H B B V E Y B V E B C V H P V

Y O R O J J H G O Y X .

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: X = O

Medium · 43 letters

W F Y W P Y C M Y X X O H U W C B

W P M Y F, O P G M Y H O T V F X B

P J X X R D X P 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

4. Clue: H = S

Medium · 43 letters

Y Q V B B A J T Q H I Y Q V B H ;

T Q H I Y Q V B H Q S I J O I

H Q K I Q H E A H H I H.

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: X = T

Hard · 43 letters

X Z A J Z A A M X Z G X L J X N N

X G H A L J J W B F A T I C X N N

H G E C K G H I 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

6. Clue: R = E

Medium · 43 letters

R W R G D Q X R E G Z R J E Q

A G Q J J E Y R V R X A R P Y R G R

Z E Z J F Q P R J 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. "Better be wrong with the many than right with the few."

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

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

2. "There is no worse fruit than that which never ripens."

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

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

3. "He that is too much in haste, may stumble on a good road."

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

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

4. "Gain not base gains; base gains are the same as losses."

— Hesiod, 700 BC, *Works and Days*, Line 353 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "The sheep that is too tame is sucked by too many lambs."

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

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

6. "Every one tries to cross the fence where it is lowest."

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

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