

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 52

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: W = E

Expert · 44 letters

T L Z K Q W C D D L E W T W Z S Q ,

 H Y C U Y S X J C B D T L B D L J W

 W F U W O B C L 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

2. Clue: Q = E

Medium · 44 letters

B W Q L D Q Q B Q L B B W C V H

 B W U B Q E Q N H N Q D M Q L C J Q

 U W K X U V J R 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: D = H

Hard · 44 letters

D Y R D I R I M S X E C V E D

B Z O D W M O V P I V W Z P X

R Y V V Z P A D Z W O Y S 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: J = O

Hard · 44 letters

W S A A X J J X S K Z L W V J T

K J T A O Z L M S P X J K X J X A V

W J V J T D G S A 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: B = E

Expert · 44 letters

B C B S I Z N J G M W L Q V J

P X L W Q U , B C B S I V F B B Z

M W L Q V J L D M J G Z 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

6. Clue: X = E

Medium · 44 letters

J T B O R L A Y D U B F P X Z ;

V Y F R T T P Y A O Z B W W U X ;

T U P Y W X Y Z X W Z X 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)

Answer key

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1. "No rule is so general, which admits not some exception."

— Robert Burton, 1621, *The Anatomy of Melancholy, Part I. Sect. 2, Memb. 2, Subsect. 3* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "The sweetest thing that ever grew beside a human door."

— William Wordsworth, 1800, *Lyrical Ballads (1800)*, Lucy Gray. Stanza 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "He who would catch fish must not mind wetting himself."

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

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

4. "Tell no one what you would have known only to yourself."

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

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

5. "Every land its own custom, every wheel its own spindle."

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

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

6. "Youth is a blunder; manhood a struggle; old age a regret."

— Benjamin Disraeli, 1844, *Coningsby, Book III. Chap. I* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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