

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 59

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: S = E

Medium · 45 letters

M C S X U M S R R S A M X W

U V M J W S T X V Z W

M C X U P, J U K U S Y S T

C J W I S S U.

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: R = E

Expert · 45 letters

F M A A R X E U T Z O E Y T

D R G A , G Y H

D T H R X G A Z T Y

Z Y K M X R E Y T V G M E 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

3. Clue: T = O

Hard · 45 letters

S N T S T D I M B T X

N Y A G H G G X R G X T B

N E R B G Z C , I G X N E F

B T X R X T T 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: J = R

Medium · 45 letters

O A Q K Y N R F U Q O J F

O M U G U V Y X G J P L ,

H G J O X Q F E G J M O M

Q A Y P P Q 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: A = E

Hard · 45 letters

D Q A R Z L T A N ' R E A K

Y A D R D Q A N M D

A R O M Z A M B T

O M D O Q A R D Q A H Y S .

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: T = E

Medium · 45 letters

W G V Y I T Z H P P T M

N H K G L Y T I K I H I

T W K T C Y B W C M H P P

I B V U T C V Z .

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. "The intellect is not a serious thing, and never has been."

— Oscar Wilde, 1893, *A Woman of No Importance*

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

2. "Butter spoils no meat, and moderation injures no cause."

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

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

3. "Who would not have feet set on his neck, let him not stoop."

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

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

4. "I came up stairs into the world, for I was born in a cellar."

— William Congreve, 1695, *Love for Love*, Act II. Sc. 7 (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "The spider's web lets the rat escape and catches the fly."

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

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

6. "A house filled with guests is eaten up and ill spoken of."

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

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