

# Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 72

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: Q = E

Medium · 46 letters

D H L A G J Q U Q X B Q M

X U I X S M M H K Q W H H L

H V Q J A H R H K Q X A X

L Q K Q W 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 |

2. Clue: F = E

Medium · 46 letters

M H Q O Q T P Q X H Z B B C  
M T P M X X B F F S F , M K  
A M B B V F X Y D F K Z  
G F F G Z Y K .

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: F = S

Hard · 46 letters

I C H R H Q F C E V F Q S L  
E F E T Q X N T Q F J , I C H  
F Q T W F E F  
E T W E L L Q N Q T 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 |

4. Clue: C = E

Expert · 46 letters

U M B C Y X , Y L Y C  
\_\_\_\_\_  
E N X Q L T X M K U G C ;  
\_\_\_\_\_  
J H C B C Y X , Y L Y C  
\_\_\_\_\_  
E N X Q L T X C F A T B 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 |

5. Clue: J = T

Medium · 46 letters

J F C U L E J R C M H  
P R I P L H P U L E J R C ,  
J F X V T F M J G C  
P U X W T W C J J R C 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 |

6. Clue: Z = T

Hard · 46 letters

K Z O C Z Z I Y D W E Z

M B C Z V E S C Y I

Z B E S Q B Z Z E L I, L S Z

M B C Z V E S C Y I.

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<br>UP AN GO NO US AM                                                                                    |
| Most common 3-letter words | THE AND FOR ARE BUT NOT YOU ALL ANY CAN HER WAS ONE<br>OUR OUT DAY GET HAS HIM HIS HOW MAN NEW NOW OLD SEE<br>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<br>(I'd)                                                                                                 |

## Answer key

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#### 1. "Fortune leaves always some door open to come at a remedy."

— Miguel de Cervantes, 1605, *Don Quixote, Part I, Book III. Chap. I* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

#### 2. "If a man has folly in his sleeve, it will be sure to peep out."

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

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

#### 3. "Who goes himself is in earnest, who sends is indifferent."

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

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

#### 4. "Absent, none without blame; present, none without excuse."

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

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

#### 5. "The myrtle is always a myrtle, though it be among nettles."

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

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

#### 6. "It matters not what you are thought to be, but what you are."

— Publilius Syrus, 42 BC, *Sententiae (Maxims), 785* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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