

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 73

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 = I

Hard · 46 letters

F B K C U B C I

V H E E B V V C A I , C I

M C U C V C A I , C I

D P X J V , C I

D P X J C E K B 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

2. Clue: T = E

Hard · 46 letters

Q T G T M R T U U L T

K Z U U Z X Z N D Z J M

O J M V T Z M Z N D Z J M

X F Q B K T V T T Q .

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: N = O

Expert · 46 letters

Z E J G Q C P A G

G L A W O G A P K G

S Q N M N T W G , P E R

P S N M N T D U N N

S Q N K S 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

4. Clue: L = E

Medium · 46 letters

O L K S L K J Z K

Y L A A - P N T A Q V C N I L

S K J J C Q P L P C N R V Q

Q C C Z L K M A 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

5. Clue: D = E

Hard · 46 letters

W G L C T W K B C G I F Z M D

Z G W D T W H C I U U A

D O J D N L J H L J C T W K

R F D H 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: A = R

Expert · 46 letters

X Q B E S A C L S I

G B A Y K A N J A B Q J A L Q

J I X B A X Q B L S V F L

S I J D S O O 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

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. "We live in succession, in division, in parts, in particles."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, Essays: First Series*

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

2. "Never let the bottom of your purse or of your mind be seen."

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

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

3. "In her face excuse Came prologue, and apology too prompt."

— *John Milton, 1667, Paradise Lost, Book IX. Line 853 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "Peace and a well-built house cannot be bought too dearly."

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

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

5. "Nothing should be done in a hurry except catching fleas."

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

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

6. "The words of Mercury are harsh after the songs of Apollo."

— *William Shakespeare, 1597, Love's Labour's Lost, Act V. Sc. 2 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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