

Wisdom Cryptograms — Set 98

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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: A = N

Medium · 49 letters

P A V R X A A P B J A P C

C I X B X N X A E V X F F T

Z Q L T B I V V A H P G X

G P E B A Z U I 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

2. Clue: N = E

Expert · 49 letters

V B P R F W W N Z V B J

F D S R U U X N M X F C S H

H N S T U N B Z S M N U X N

M R D M U F B K 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: F = A

Medium · 49 letters

F B M F L B F D X L X R P

K F L S Q Q P

D R I H K L F Z Q J I L R Z

R I W M X Z Q F L F

U K R M 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

4. Clue: D = A

Medium · 49 letters

D G D E M H H D K I H

N Q W X D G L Q G Q G D

A Q V M G H P L J D J

E Q Q O D J D

N D M M L D E 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: R = O

Medium · 49 letters

R E D O L O Y R G B

N R Y O R F L J B G Z J

Z I T L D Z , K E G B

N R Y W Z J Z D B G Z J

E Y L R Y .

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: F = T

Hard · 49 letters

F P T J D Q J D C F F T A Z

R X B C F F P T W R M E D T

F N D D R F D R Z F N F

I T F Z X C A M F .

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. "One cannot know what a man really is by the end of a fortnight."

— Jane Austen, 1813, *Pride and Prejudice*

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

2. "In quarreling about the shadow we often lose the substance."

— Aesop, 1867, *Aesop's Fables* (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)

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

3. "At last a vision has been vouchsafed us of our life as a whole."

— Woodrow Wilson, 1913, *First Inaugural Address*

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

4. "An agreeable companion on a journey is as good as a carriage."

— Publilius Syrus, 42 BC, *Sententiae (Maxims)*, 143 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Ours is not a consolidated empire, but a confederated union."

— James K. Polk, 1848, *Fourth Annual Message to Congress*

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

6. "The fly flutters about the candle till at last it gets burnt."

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

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