

Work Cryptograms — Set 3

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: A = T

Expert · 47 letters

A V G S Y W R G O I G Y A

R M A V U R Z X T A A V G U K

H W X M T K E M K A V G U K

I W U R 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: H = E

Medium · 48 letters

M L H K H Q K H B G

O G G X R Y L M K Q J H Y ,

M L H K H Q K H G B X C

O G G X R Y L V H G V X 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

3. Clue: P = L

Hard · 49 letters

D Q M O A G T D I N T F

Y N P P V M N T P I V A G U ;

I T I V F G U C O A G F M

Y N P P V M V A U 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

4. Clue: O = E

Hard · 49 letters

I O Q I T L Z W W T F

V X O Z C Q O M M T E I N V

F D Z Y O Y T O V W T F

K W Y O D V F Z W Y N 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

5. Clue: N = E

Expert · 49 letters

S N D , S E Z X A F M N X U ,

S N D F M N C A X I N X U ,

N P N X X N W R V D L

U A S N F M V D L D N 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

6. Clue: O = R

Hard · 53 letters

B H O N O H L Q G Z R R

G C Y B H O R F B H O M ,

C M K B M G A O L X I L M

Y C O O Z M N C F Z

O Z Q H O M .

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 wordsOF 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 apostropheT (don't) S (it's) RE (we're) VE (I've) LL (we'll) D
(I'd)

Answer key

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1. "They can expect nothing but their labour for their pains."

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

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

2. "There are no foolish trades, there are only foolish people."

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

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

3. "The mountains will be in labour; an absurd mouse will be born."

— Horace, 18 BC, *Ars Poetica, 139* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

4. "He who cannot speak well of his trade does not understand it."

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

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

5. "Men, my brothers, men the workers, ever reaping something new."

— Alfred Tennyson, 1842, *Poems (1842), Locksley Hall. Line 117* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

6. "Our fruitless labours mourn, And only rich in barren fame return."

— Alexander Pope, 1726, *The Odyssey of Homer (Pope's translation), Book X. Line 46* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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