

Work Cryptograms — Set 4

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: I = O

Hard · 53 letters

U B O W Y W C M R V K D

T I O R I M V I S V B O

C I I K, Q I N O K V D

Z I J O R Y W E V V B O

U Y W C I 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

2. Clue: H = I

Medium · 53 letters

K T K Z P U H Z F H Z Y N A

C N A F H Z Y H M K I C K S M

K I N Z X, I X P U H T D X

C U X A X U X C H I 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

3. Clue: E = S

Expert · 53 letters

A I P E H J Q X E

E J N P S X H S A H X A E

Z Y H M Q P O V P, M X E P S

A I T Y T Y C H W X A E

M H S Z E .

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 = A

Hard · 55 letters

C S O V P R C E

H C F O - H D V W O V G H D V W

H P B X B X O P V X O C K G

C G H O Q Q C G B X O P V

X C E K G .

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: M = O

Expert · 56 letters

X E M R M Q W I E G I

X M B V K P Y V P M X I L M

I N K B W , F K S R G Q W

K P Y T R M J B G I E

K P S X E W B W .

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: P = E

Hard · 56 letters

R Z C K E N Z V F Z L P V K

D P E F Z V P V A Q Z B V G

Z A A X P N K G A K U A X P

Q P V P E Z R O P R U Z E P .

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. "When industry goes out of the door, poverty comes in at the window."

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

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

2. "A man thinking or working is always alone, let him be where he will."

— *Henry David Thoreau, 1854, Walden*

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

3. "The soul is superior to its knowledge, wiser than any of its works."

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

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

4. "American wage-workers work with their heads as well as their hands."

— *Theodore Roosevelt, 1901, First Annual Message to Congress*

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

5. "Who loves his work and knows to spare, may live and flourish anywhere."

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

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

6. "Labor can make no permanent gains at the cost of the general welfare."

— *Calvin Coolidge, 1925, State of the Union Address*

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