

Aesop Cryptograms — Set 3

6 puzzles · Standard 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: B = E

Medium · 43 letters

P X V I B V I L B V I H Z I K X T A

D X I Z Q W V B D B L B V I X O

K W M M Z V B Q 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

2. Clue: I = E

Hard · 43 letters

M I Q T A Q T I A M E Q T

A G P C I N S F U M I

X Q T K E P U L C I T E K

E U M I P 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

3. Clue: T = S

Medium · 43 letters

H S W K W T H J D H W D H J F D T

P J O O D F H G O P G L T

W D T M U W T M X X W T 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: N = T

Hard · 43 letters

N G P L E P F N P U N

X S R K R P U U V S C C R Y N

W S R K N G P I R L E F N P J I 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: U = A Hard · 44 letters

G I K B J E U Y T U J U D B L F
S I B C X K W U B L F Y D A I
N Y K S U T D L F U B W 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

6. Clue: K = I Hard · 44 letters

X O G L A G A
H M Y K V K N H Y K X M B X T
D K T A X O Y G O M K Y B
G A H D K Y K A 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

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)

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Answer key

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1. "Contentment with our lot is an element of happiness."

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

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

2. "He is wise who is warned by the misfortunes of others."

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

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

3. "The best intentions will not always ensure success."

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

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

4. "The greatest kindness will not bind the ungrateful."

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

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

5. "Be on guard against men who can strike from a distance."

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

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

6. "Our mere anticipations of life outrun its realities."

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

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