

Ralph Waldo Emerson Cryptograms — Set 19

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 = O

Medium · 68 letters

D X D O P N D Y I O J A Z B T

G Z A D W P B O N , D L O B W B T

G B B W N , K V B N Z T A B K Z G

D O J T G I P W D R Z P N W V Z

K B G A J .

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: W = E

Easy · 68 letters

H P W I L L U W R H

W B I W U X W D G W X R U X G P

W D L O S P T L U Q F F H P W

I O U I L R W R L T

W B I U W R R X D S H P L O S P 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: U = O

Medium · 69 letters

F O P C L K V U I X R P R J

R P O J R S I O K U G O R L U J

Q U G K V O T V U Y T O U Q V Y L

X R Y I B T G R Q K U G

N G U Q O L L Y U J .

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: R = T

Medium · 69 letters

G H M C M J D A K Y N W

W X W G Q M R X A G C D X N H R K

R A X Z M P C X J R K H J K R X D ,

I K Y N W J K R R A G D S X

G J V Y D R G Q 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: K = A

Hard · 69 letters

E N C H M C R P M S T L R Z M

N K M K F C X E K J D B R I C X

R P C T K D F J B K E J R D K D O

C Y N J Z K X K E J R D P R X K Z Z

T C D .

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 = A

Hard · 70 letters

K U K A J K A F A H T M C S K Y
 M F H F A Z K M R S Q F S M A F O
 V S S H R P M M C S S J R O F G S
 C K D O P K H K A Q
 P A K Q S L X K 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. "A man is a bundle of relations, a knot of roots, whose flower and fruitage is the world."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, Essays: First Series, History (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

2. "The poorest experience is rich enough for all the purposes of expressing thought."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, Essays: Second Series*

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

3. "We must hold a man amenable to reason for the choice of his daily craft or profession."

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

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

4. "If a man should dedicate himself to the payment of notes, would not this be injustice?"

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

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

5. "The use of symbols has a certain power of emancipation and exhilaration for all men."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, Essays: Second Series*

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

6. "A man can only speak so long as he does not feel his speech to be partial and inadequate."

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, Essays: Second Series*

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