

Ralph Waldo Emerson Cryptograms — Set 30

5 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: K = A

Easy · 119 letters

J O T W H P Y K F D L V K G G O W

 K M H H W K V F D H T , K L L H J O

 B D O V O H R V H E S K M O H S

 V Y K S D F Z , J E V Y K L F Y O Z

 P H E G W B K Z K R D T O D T

 O I B D K F D H T H R W K D G Z

 T H T - K B B O K S K T V O H T

 B K S K W O .

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

Medium · 120 letters

I Y W X C G S Y P Y C U U W W G

I Y W B T U T G D X P P G Q B W C O

P L I P E I Y W H R P L F U C I

X T F G T D Y I, Y C U Q W W G

V B W U W G I R T O W C G

C B H Y C G D W R C I I Y W

H B W C I T P G P E R T D Y I C G F

P E I Y W S P B R 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

3. Clue: P = E

Hard · 121 letters

U V F P O N Y X F D V P T A F V P Y

Z X M Z V M V P W P M O

C P Z I F G Z R F B P O P Y Y M O N

A O R F B P O P Y Y Z X M Z

D F T A P Y P M K X I F Z X Z X P

D V P Y P O K P J U D J I P V M O N

J U K J O Y P O Z F O Z X P

J Z X P V D M V Z 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

4. Clue: B = E

Easy · 125 letters

B R B X M H C D ' L E X Z N X B L L

J L S W X Z F N W C

L F O O B L L J Z D Z Y

S B C O W B X L , B C O W Z Y

P W Z H L B B H L C S S W B

S J H B S Z W C R B C

L F E B X V C S J R B

J D Y V F B D O B , G F S J S C S

V C L S N J R B L E V C O B S Z C

D B 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

5. Clue: B = E

Easy · 126 letters

B S B I J K Z M U H Q Q Y U B U
 F L K U B D E M Y A A Y R B
 E H D D J H M O B I U A Y Y O ; Z M O
 L E A F B I B L U Z M J A I H A F
 L M F L K , L E F B I B U A U Z A
 D Z U A Y M A F B O L S L M B
 U Y H D , L U B B M Y A F Y X L A
 P Z M R B Y A F B I X L U 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)

Answer key

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1. "Men do what is called a good action, as some piece of courage or charity, much as they would pay a fine in expiation of daily non-appearance on parade."

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

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

2. "The man who has seen the rising moon break out of the clouds at midnight, has been present like an archangel at the creation of light and of the world."

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

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

3. "Friendship requires that rare mean betwixt likeness and unlikeness that piques each with the presence of power and of consent in the other party."

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

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

4. "Every man's progress is through a succession of teachers, each of whom seems at the time to have a superlative influence, but it at last gives place to a new."

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

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

5. "Every man supposes himself not to be fully understood; and if there is any truth in him, if he rests at last on the divine soul, I see not how it can be otherwise."

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

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