

French proverb Cryptograms — Set 7

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: Y = T

Hard · 43 letters

Y K P Z K P P U Y K N Y H Z

Y C C Y N A P H Z

Z R M B P J Q I Y C C

A N D I X N A Q Z .

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: B = O

Expert · 43 letters

V W V J K E Q X S C X S

E X N V P B N V U E B Q X N ,

I Q B L S B I U Q B I E B

I H X 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

3. Clue: H = T

Hard · 44 letters

H L C K J X Z H R G

E N C J H R B

D N U D U N H R U B H U L R Q

A L U T U Q Q R H G R 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: N = E

Hard · 44 letters

V A N N F O T M O P B N O

P B A N F T V A M ,

S A N N O Y Z T , F D R

P D R Z B V O P E Z 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

5. Clue: I = E

Expert · 44 letters

Z R A N I F H X Y I B I A S

R J V V Y I F N S D V C

Q J A Q N W V I T A X S R

V J B H 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

6. Clue: B = A

Medium · 44 letters

B H N B L L D U G M K Q Z

Q B M R G H E Z K K Z L

K Q B M B O L B M Z D M

K Q Z U G M 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

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. "The sheep that is too tame is sucked by too many lambs."

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

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

2. "Everything in time comes to him, who knows how to wait."

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

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

3. "The fault is great in proportion to him who commits it."

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

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

4. "The early riser is healthy, cheerful, and industrious."

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

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

5. "If the sky were to fall we should catch plenty of larks."

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

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

6. "A sparrow in the hand is better than a crane on the wing."

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

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