

German proverb Cryptograms — Set 16

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: D = O

Medium · 48 letters

M K N M D M K K A E V D G

G M K U D E G

E M D K - V I L U , N L U U

E D D V U D E K G M K

M D F E K .

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: D = O

Hard · 48 letters

A W Y Y A R O D A I M N Z R

O D X L D O Y N A I W X B

N E D T Y Q V N Y B Z R N Y

O D A I M L 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

3. Clue: Z = E

Expert · 49 letters

Z E Z W Q N T M Q A Y T U O

J T T M I T X Y O Z K

Z B I Z G H C S V H C R H

C R O Y Z Z M T P S 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: C = A

Hard · 49 letters

J Z B X P C T S C H

C H O J W , L S G C U J S H U ;

J Z B X P C T S C

A C V V S T , R U T J I S

A C T 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

5. Clue: U = O

Hard · 49 letters

J P V O R P I S A U U F

E V B S V B E U V M, X H B

M U J S B R E V A D U J S M

P D N U M M B R S 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

6. Clue: I = H

Medium · 49 letters

I F O I Y E P V A O I W S

I F K Y G ' S O W G S ,

O M H H A Y Y G A F H H

O I W S I F K Y F A O W G 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 wordsOF 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 apostropheT (don't) S (it's) RE (we're) VE (I've) LL (we'll) D
(I'd)

Answer key

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1. "He who heeds not the lost shoe-nail, will soon lose the horse."

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

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

2. "Little folks are fond of talking about what great folks do."

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

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

3. "Everybody knows good counsel except him that has need of it."

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

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

4. "If you are an anvil, be patient; if you are a hammer, strike hard."

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

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

5. "Many have good intentions, but something comes across them."

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

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

6. "He who buys what he don't want, will soon sell what he does want."

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

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