

German proverb Cryptograms — Set 17

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: J = S

Expert · 50 letters

K Q I Y P B E L P D F J

P B J F G X Y P K Q ,

K W D F B W A J H F J J

Q W I Y S J P B J F G X

N W W Y .

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: C = E

Medium · 50 letters

S C U S D S L V J C X W L

O D F M C N C S T Q R S T B ,

S L V B L R C L F D D R

R L K ' V Z D M O Q C K .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

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

Medium · 50 letters

Z J I I E I X E B U N M X Q

O J I A U P Q X Q B ,

E X N W I P F O Q U U Q ,

F Q M N I F M F O Q X B J 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

4. Clue: B = T

Medium · 50 letters

B M C D C R W X I K H J

V A B M H W H M I K C R X

R B , O I D B M I W C J M I

S H X O R X G R B I 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

5. Clue: G = E

Hard · 50 letters

J U A N H F A U G W V G F W O

A U L G A N G L B R S G P P C

R G F Q S G V I L G M F

M U R E D I J W .

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: P = E

Hard · 50 letters

Z I H N W I P Z H Y N L P

J I U V Q : I Y P L E Z N L P

X O U Z P , N L P I N L P U

L E Z N L P W I V 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

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. "Charity gives itself rich, covetousness hoards itself poor."

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

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

2. "He who has left a rogue behind him, has made a good day's journey."

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

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

3. "Cheese is gold in the morning, silver at noon, and lead at night."

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

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

4. "There is no law but has a hole in it, for those who can find it out."

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

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

5. "With patience and time the mulberry leaf becomes a silk gown."

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

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

6. "So it goes in the world: one has the purse, the other has the gold."

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

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