

# Nature Cryptograms — Set 22

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: J = E

Hard · 55 letters

S D U J V Z F G Q V A J E B S J Z  
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 Y D N J S M J V F N V Z S V Y J S E  
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 S M J X J V O E N J I S M J  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 H S I E Z Y .  
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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 = O

Medium · 55 letters

Y ' H H B M P S O Z M G P Y S Z C  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 R Y J G P W C X A Q , U M Y H G  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 V C X E G S T C S O V C X S  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 P A Z Y B S C X A Q .  
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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: E = T

Hard · 55 letters

D Y E G S D U G P I I J D C E Y  
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 P D K W Y L K N G S M G G J S C  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 D Y E V S E E J L W K D P E T F J  
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 E Y W J P F .  
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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: Z = T

Medium · 56 letters

I R Z I Y Z V Y L Z C D J L R P ,  
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 D R Y L C , Y L F T J L Z R L Z K C  
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 V K Z I J B Z Z I M R R Q J J F  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 O M K R L F C .  
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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: V = E

Medium · 56 letters

L A G U Y Z V G A T E L T X Y B V  
M E U G V M Z ; P Y G E U P M X X  
U C V X V M N V E M T F U C V T  
U C V U G V V .

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: G = A

Medium · 56 letters

D Q , G H O G S S V X Q N H R V Q O  
H G V R Z H U , D G H V G  
O Q J Q H V A Q G J Q G H O G  
O N P G C S Q A Q G J 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 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                                                                                                                           |

## Answer key

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1. "Time and place often give the advantage to the weak over the strong."

— *Aesop, 1867, Aesop's Fables (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)*

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

2. "I'll charm the air to give a sound, While you perform your antic round."

— *William Shakespeare, 1606, Macbeth, Act IV. Sc. 1 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

3. "Nothing happens to anybody which he is not fitted by nature to bear."

— *Marcus Aurelius, 170, Meditations, V. 18 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

4. "He that wants money, means, and content is without three good friends."

— *William Shakespeare, 1600, As You Like It, Act III. Sc. 2 (in Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891)*

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

5. "Our time runs on like a stream; first fall the leaves and then the tree."

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

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

6. "We, and all the United Nations, want a decent peace and a durable peace."

— *Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1943, State of the Union Address*

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