

Shakespeare Cryptograms — Set 8

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: V = O

Hard · 44 letters

N O N V U G N C Z J G W Z V N V U

U D V S, C V V T V U X J Z J G W

Z V G S Q N V U W V 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

2. Clue: R = E

Medium · 44 letters

E W Q N R P R P X R N V H

V O Q C F R D V N Z, - V H W

F R N R V X Q M C K F R W L R T T 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

3. Clue: B = E

Hard · 44 letters

Z P B E B M Q N J B N U K Y H K Q

H W Z P B Z G D B P G R W H M D

N U K F M B R R A M 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

4. Clue: Q = E

Expert · 44 letters

F I U F W U D J A V Q U U K Q ,

S Z V X Q O , C Q N K I R E U D J A

W K F C Q O , A Z W Q U G .

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: O = E

Medium · 44 letters

D Z R S O U R A A R M O V I
 J H Z M E P V A A O I X U R L ,
 V U F D U S X Q I O J O U Z 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

6. Clue: I = S

Medium · 44 letters

D E D I G S M R E S Z R S N N S G
 K M I I M L C , Q Y E M I E F M D G
 S Z F M F C G C I I .

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. "Eye of newt and toe of frog, Wool of bat and tongue of dog."

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

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

2. "I do remember an apothecary, - And hereabouts he dwells."

— William Shakespeare, 1595, *Romeo and Juliet*, Act V. Sc. 1 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "The very age and body of the time his form and pressure."

— William Shakespeare, 1601, *Hamlet*, Act III. Sc. 2 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Out of this nettle, danger, we pluck this flower, safety."

— William Shakespeare, 1597, *King Henry IV, Part I*, Act II. Sc. 3 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "I come not to hear such flattery now, and in my presence."

— William Shakespeare, 1592, *King Henry VI, II*. Act V. Sc. 3 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "It is no act of common passage, but a strain of rareness."

— William Shakespeare, 1610, *Cymbeline*, Act III. Sc. 4 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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