

Terence Cryptograms — Set 1

5 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: L = O

Medium · 42 letters

Z L L X P L A , Y C N M E B

N L V M G L I G B O I B T Y I N P

L U I Y I M B O B V M 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

2. Clue: G = T

Expert · 45 letters

F B D G T A Y K N X I A Y G B C N

Z J D I G K I , N K G C G R A F S

D N N A Y J T B O D C 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

3. Clue: J = N

Medium · 46 letters

D J C D J R , J K B A D J P D O

O W D E J K F B A W B A W O J K B

X R R J O W D E X R C K N R .

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: E = A

Medium · 46 letters

M L K V E R Z E J F W E M Z W E C

B X F W C K Q W K M K L E Y W

L E Z M X T H M H T N K M L .

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: B = I

Medium · 47 letters

B C R J N I B Y X B E P N Y V V
N C Q U X V P Z Y M U C H V Z
Z C I R I B M X P Y J B F F V U .

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. "Look you, I am the most concerned in my own interests."

— Terence, 166 BC, *Andria*, Act IV. Sc. 1, 12. (636) (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "What comes from this quarter, set it down as so much gain."

— Terence, 160 BC, *Adelphoe*, Act V. Sc. 3, 30. (816) (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "In fine, nothing is said now that has not been said before."

— Terence, 161 BC, *Eunuchus*, *The Prologue*. 41 (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "This and a great deal more like it I have had to put up with."

— Terence, 161 BC, *Eunuchus*, Act IV. Sc. 6, 8. (746) (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "I only wish I may see your head stroked down with a slipper."

— Terence, 161 BC, *Eunuchus*, Act V. Sc. 7, 4. (1028) (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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