

# Cryptograms

## CRYPTOGRAM 01

U I X R K V A F U S U C F M X R V P M C Z Q  
 W U G L F Z A F Q C P V J U W A P U M A Q P  
 Y U Y V G F C G Q M V Q S R Z V P G N S Q X A F  
 W V P B L V P S Q P K U K Q A P Z A F E Q Q L  
 Y G V I X R A B V F S Q P K U K Q A P U W V G A B U .

### FREQUENCY

| Q   | P  | U  | V  | A  | F  | G  | K  | S  | C  | M  | R  | W  | X  | Z  | B  | L  | Y  | I  | E  | J  | N  |
|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 12  | 11 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 8  | 6  | 5  | 5  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 4  | 3  | 3  | 3  | 2  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| 10% | 9% | 9% | 9% | 9% | 7% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 1% | 1% | 1% |

### CIPHER KEY

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| A | B | C | E | F | G | I | J | K | L | M | N | P | Q | R | S | U | V | W | X | Y | Z |  |
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## CRYPTOGRAM 02

R G T F M D U F N W M J B J D G U M F U P I B D T  
 M J D M N X W B X U B N X W B Z J B T B W D L Q B  
 J D R R L Z T X M B X K V J B U T L K X G F N  
 W B U A O B U K X U P D P X F U J F N Q X X O D  
 Q X X O X I Q G T K B N C G B N K X U P D P X .

### FREQUENCY

| X   | B   | U  | D  | J  | N  | F  | M  | T  | G  | K  | P  | W  | Q  | L  | O  | R  | I  | Z  | A  | C  | V  |
|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 15  | 14  | 10 | 9  | 7  | 7  | 6  | 6  | 6  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 4  | 3  | 3  | 3  | 2  | 2  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| 13% | 12% | 8% | 8% | 6% | 6% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 2% | 1% | 1% | 1% |

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## CRYPTOGRAM 03

X D B L J X T B I Y B I P D J C E P P D  
 D P Y B M B D F Y E X Y X W P I J I A J T T I  
 K J Y Y J W Y E X D X M X K K X F J  
 M P D M T O L J I Y E X Y B Y C B T T X T I P  
 A X R J K J Y Y J W I P O V C W P Y J P T L  
 E J D W S T P O B I A J D M R J D T P D F X F P .

### FREQUENCY

| J   | P   | Y   | X  | D  | T  | I  | B  | E  | M  | W  | F  | K  | A  | C  | L  | O  | R  | S  | V  |
|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 15  | 13  | 13  | 12 | 11 | 10 | 9  | 8  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 4  | 4  | 3  | 3  | 3  | 3  | 2  | 1  | 1  |
| 12% | 10% | 10% | 9% | 8% | 8% | 7% | 6% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 3% | 3% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 1% | 1% |

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| A | B | C | D | E | F | I | J | K | L | M | O | P | R | S | T | V | W | X | Y |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |   | E |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |

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## CRYPTOGRAM 04

L Y R X R B L O K I S L S Q S H M S B H A R H A  
 O K I S L S Q S H M N F K L R K I A Y R M F T  
 I K G S B U R M Q D R M I K M W H W K S M Y S B  
 H L L F S X G L R A R B B H T B I K M W H W K S M  
 H U R F S Q H S M L Y R L N R M L S R L Y  
 Q R M L G F T I K M W H W K .

### FREQUENCY

| S   | R   | L   | M   | H  | K  | B  | I  | W  | F  | Q  | Y  | A  | G  | T  | N  | O  | U  | X  | D  |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 15  | 14  | 13  | 13  | 11 | 11 | 7  | 7  | 6  | 5  | 5  | 5  | 4  | 3  | 3  | 2  | 2  | 2  | 2  | 1  |
| 11% | 11% | 10% | 10% | 8% | 8% | 5% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 3% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 1% |

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## Answer Key – Cryptograms

Solve before peeking. Full solutions below.

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- 01** A JUDGE IS A LAW STUDENT WHO MARKS HIS OWN EXAMINATION PAPERS WROTE OLD HENRY LOUIS MENCKEN LONG AGO IN HIS BOOK PREJUDICES LONG AGO IN AMERICA.  
– H. L. Mencken
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- 02** PURITANISM THE HAUNTING FEAR THAT SOMEONE SOMEWHERE MAY BE HAPPY WROTE OLD HENRY LOUIS MENCKEN LONG AGO IN HIS BOOK A BOOK OF BURLESQUES LONG AGO.  
– H. L. Mencken
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- 03** AN IDEALIST IS ONE WHO ON NOTICING THAT A ROSE SMELLS BETTER THAN A CABBAGE CONCLUDES THAT IT WILL ALSO MAKE BETTER SOUP WROTE OLD HENRY LOUIS MENCKEN LONG AGO.  
– H. L. Mencken
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- 04** THE BEST POLITICIAN IS A DEAD POLITICIAN WROTE OLD HENRY LOUIS MENCKEN LONG AGO IN HIS ATTRIBUTED ESSAYS LONG AGO IN AMERICA IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY LONG AGO.  
– H. L. Mencken
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