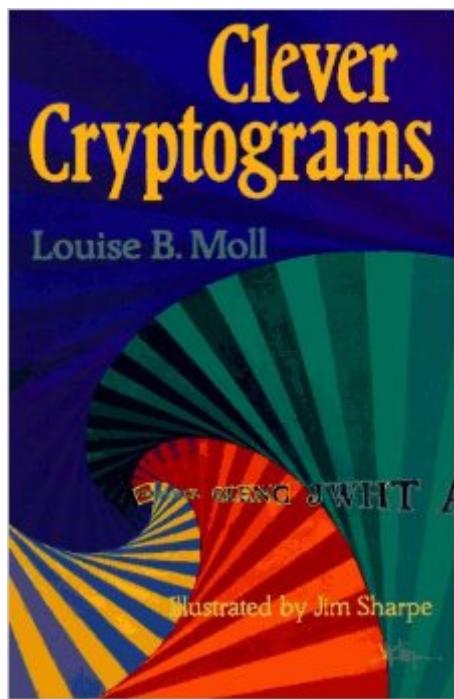


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# Clever Cryptograms



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"An imaginative collection of 300 simple substitution ciphers with word divisions, based on the sayings of 30 of the world's greatest thinkers, writers and philosophers. In addition to challenging your brain, these cryptograms will provide food for thought with meaningful messages from Einstein, Shaw, Whitman, Disraeli, Gandhi, Santayana and 24 others. Each one is also depicted in an original full-page drawing. Brief tips for solving cryptograms are provided for neophytes, and answers are in the back of the book, if needed."--Cryptologia.

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In this book, Louise Moll has collected 10 quotes each from some of the best minds ever and encrypted them. Accompanied by Jim Sharpe's excellent illustrations of each person before their quotes. People included are: St. Thomas Aquinas, Einstein, Epicurus, Gandhi & Oscar Wilde to name a few. There are 30 in all. The quotes range from sentimental to hilarious. Hours of enjoyment to be had by all who love good cryptograms.

I just began doing cryptograms again - after about a year-long hiatus - and I have to say that I had forgotten just how fun & frustrating decoding cryptograms could be!"Clever Cryptograms" is filled with puzzles that, when solved, provide the reader with a quote that is either inspirational &/or thought provoking - food for both the mind & spirit. Each "chapter" focuses on the quotes of one specific person, including: St. Thomas Aquinas, Pearl Buck, Rene Descartes, Albert Einstein, and

many, many, more. The only reason I gave this book 4 stars instead of 5 is because there are no hints - so, if you get stuck, you have to go the full solution and, at least for me, my eyes wind up wandering and I tend to see a lot more of the solution than I wanted...Overall, I think this is a fun cryptogram book, filled with much food for thought. So, if you can live without the hints, I'd recommend that you give it a try.

This is a fun book. The quotes are interesting. If I need a bit of help, especially on the shorter ones with fewer words to look for patterns in, I go to the the answer page and before opening stick a piece of paper in. Then slowly move the paper until the puzzle I'm working on shows one or two of the first letters. That's usually all it takes. When this is finished I hope I can find another as interesting.

I recommend this book to anyone who loves good word fun. This is by far the most enjoyable book of cryptograms to be found on the market, and is very similar in the puzzle style found in Sean-Alonzo's underground hit Cryptogrammaton.

This inexpensive, sturdy, entertaining book contains 300 pleasurable, insightful and enlightening, even witty, quotes drawn from 30 of the world's most renowned thinkers, sages and philosophers, forming an eclectic collection that includes Epictetus, Cicero, Descartes, Wilde, Jung, Whitman and Einstein, among others. The quotes are encoded in substitution cipher of varying difficulty, and are guaranteed to keep you busy for hours as you find yourself using your intuition, your knowledge of spelling and syntax, and even your familiarity with each quoted personality to figure them out. The book also contains an introduction with general hints for solving cryptograms and, of course, the solutions for each puzzle are presented at the back of the book, along with an index of authors and topics for those searching for quotes from one or another individual or subject in particular. If you love cryptograms, buy this book.--Reviewed by M. E. Volmar

I like that there are so many cryptograms in this book. The print is quite tiny, however, and it's challenging at first to get used to the tiny lettering. I like to write my solutions in the book and there is just not a lot of room to do that unless one has (have I said this already?) tiny handwriting.

I am hooked on Cryptograms so I bought this book for my sister...she is the one that got me started on them a few years back with the ones in the newspaper....I use to find them on the internet and

then copy them as I couldn't find them in the stores around me...ahh, then I got smart and checked the internet, where else but "", and there they were....have been buying these little treasures ever since...I personally haven't tried this version but my sis says she really likes it so guess it has a high rating...they sure do keep the brain active and it is always fun to get the last word and read the little bit of humor or wisdom as a reward for the dedicated work in getting there...

I bought this for my 8 year old boy interested in cryptograms. It's definitely more of an adult-level book. "Secret Codes for Kids: Cryptograms and Secret Words for Children" was a better choice for kids.

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