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Welcome New Solvers to Our Mailing List

We welcome new solvers, BETACYGNI, GRIGIO, GRIFFIN and SUGARPLUM to our Cm Solvers List and Newsletter Mailing List.

ND Aristocrat Ciphers – “the” & “that” occurrences. “the”- may be trigraph (ZANAC)

A-1 (the-1), A-2 (that-1), A-3 (the-4, that-1), A-4 (the-1), A-5 (the-2), A-6 (that-2), A-7 (the-1), A-9 (the-1), A-10 (the-1, that-1), A-11 (the-1), A-12 (the-2), A-13 (the-3), A-14 (the-2, that-1), A-15 (that-1), A-16 (the-1)

ND Patristocrat Ciphers – “the” & “that” occurrences. “(the” - may be trigraph (ZANAC)

P-2 (the-1), P-4 (the-2), P-5 (the-1), P-7 (the-2), P-8(the-1, that-1) P-9 (the-4) P-6 has “to” four times.

ND A-21. Cook or not? K3 (79)

RIG R. MORTIS

You will find the words “chef” “fish” and “soup” in the first eight words of the plaintext.

ND P-9. Labor. K4. (123/20) (QILE)

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Crib begins a plaintext exhibiting four “the” trigraphs.

ND P-12. Misleading nomenclature.

MICROPOD

(Analyst GGMA)

The crib ZOL, with the usual Caesar shift of 6, is FUR. These are the last three letters of this contribution.

ND P-Sp-2. Observations. K4. (99/19)

PARROT

Highest frequency ciphertext letter is used for alliteration of plaintext letter “f.”

ND. X-7. ??? K2. (English key) False Pride.

MICROPOD

Know your constructor. Check out this constructor’s Xenocrypt submissions for the language type here.

ND X-9. Esperanto Incomplete Columnar. (plejofte) Common fare. G-MAN (Analyst GGMA)

Period eight.

ND E-1. Homophonic. Lord Byron On Dogs.

ALCHEMYST

You will find these letters in the key: PSLA

ND E-3. Vigenere. Isaac on Isaac. (LXVKXML) MAEGICAL

Isaac Newton’s profession is included in this twelve letter Key.

ND E-9. Amsco. Karma. (Marine Corps)

GUNG HO

Refer to your **ACA and You Handbook** for the construction process of the Amsco. This one is a Period ten.

ND C-14. Duodecimal additions. (Three words, 1-0.)

APEX DX

“H” and “T” are readily identifiable as “1” and “2” by their position at the far left in the sums. The letter “E” is a good choice to complete an opening trigraph. Since “T” appears as an addendum and sum figure in the far right column of addition problem one, “Y” and “K” must = 12. Since “N” appears as an addendum and sum figure in the second column of addition problem two, “W” and “O” must = 11 or 12.

ND AC-905. ??? Acceptable Practice. (128)

G-MAN

(Analyst GGMA)

Playfair.

ND AC-907. Grandpre. Progress. (382) (motel when his good)

MICROPOD

Hotel magnate’s twenty-two letter name begins this plaintext. Google it.

JF E-1. Complete Columnar. Drink Up! (hurt)

APEX DX

Period six. There is only one “U” in the ciphertext. Set your columns to fit it between an “H” and an “R.”

JF E-2. Variant. No Recent Evidence.

OBOO

Check out your **ACA and You Handbook** to distinguish the difference between a Vigenere and a Variant. This is a period nine quote from a famous British philosopher with the initials “BR” whose name completes the plaintext.

JF E-3 Morbit. Setting the bar. (his)

CAGEY KIWI

An English playwright and author’s view on mediocrity.

JF E-4 Null. No worries.

STAR GAZER

When confronted with a Null with no crib placed early in the Cipher Exchange column, make a vertical listing of the ciphertext words to see what one of its columns might reveal. It works here.

JF E-5 Tridigital. Secret of Long Life. (you should)

G-MAN

The crib reveals identical digraphs, four positions apart (including a word separator). Identical ciphertext digits four positions apart will allow this crib placement. Add “try to” as a crib extension and follow the Tridigital basics: A number can represent up to three letters but each plaintext letter can have only one number. Double ciphertext numbers cannot be separators. Only one number is a separator. Make a count of the ciphertext numbers between separators for reasonable word lengths. Look for short and pattern words.

Cipher Solving Lesson Plans

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Sunny Cipherring,

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