



# Young Tyros Newsletter

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MJ. E-9 Board Game, Arboretum?

RISHU – Richly Innovative Solving Help Utility

## Helpful Cm Articles for Patristocrat Solving

RISHU

- JA 91 – The Rookie’s Guide to solving Pats, LAMONT CRANSTON
- JA 91 – The Science of Cryptanalysis, FAUSTUS
- SO 91 – The Solution of Straight-Substitution Crypts, FAUSTUS
- ND 91 – Ciphers – Vowel Spotting and Digraphs, PICCOLA
- JF 92 – A Method For Finding Repeated Sequences, PICCOLA
- MA 92 – Consonant-Line and Vowel-Line Methods, S-TUCK and BAROKO

## SEE NEWSLETTER PAGE THREE FOR PATRISTOCRAT SOLVING TECHNIQUES

### The Tyro Tutorial

Available at our ACA web site under Resources. It describes the solution process to some thirty different cipher types and includes a Railfence Template, Polyomino Congruent Squares by APEX DX, a comprehensive listing of Null Variables by BION, Foursquare Cipher digraph frequencies by RISHU, and the use of Google as a solving tool.

### Junior Young Tyros Newsletter

In addition to this Senior Young Tyros Newsletters, we have an additional Newsletter published bimonthly for school students. If you would like a family or friend youngster to receive one, please send us their name and E-Mail address.

### Universal Phoebe Circular Cipher Slide by PHOENIX and HONEYBEE – Free

Useful for Beaufort, Gronsfeld, Porta, Portax and Vigenere type cipher solving.

### The Code Book by Simon Singh on CD-ROM – Free

An interactive version with animations, encryption tools, video clips, mathematics and a virtual Enigma machine.

### Free Code and Cipher Books – Place an order. The mailing is also free.

*American Magic* – Levin  
Stripp

*Codes and Ciphers* – Wrixon

*Code Breakers* – Hinsley &

*Invitation to Cryptograms*–Williams

*Mysterious Messages* - Blackwood

*Secret Writing* - Lysing

*Solving Simple Substitution Ciphers* – Harris (S-TUCK)

*365 Mind Challenging Cryptograms* - Payne

ZANAC’s Gimme a Break – MJ Aristocrats (may be digraphs / trigraphs) (1) unless otherwise stated

A-1, the, A-2, the (3), A-3, the (2), A-4, you (2), A-5, that, A-6, ou (3), A-7, the (2), A-8, er (3), A-9, the (2)

A-10, that, A-11, you (3), A-12, ing (2), A-13, the (2), A-14, the (3), A-15, can (2), A-16, body (2), A-17, an (3),

A-18, the (2), A-19, can (2), A-20, as (2), A-21, the (3), A-22, bird (2), A-23, the (2), A-24, ight (2), A-25, angry.

ZANAC’s Gimme a Break - MJ Patristocrats (may be digraphs / trigraphs) (1) unless otherwise stated

P-1, when (3), P-2, that, P-3, that, P-4, the (4), P-5, that, P-6, people, P-7, did, P-8, the (3), P-9, in the domain,

P-10, the (2), P-11, the (2), P-12, the (3), P-Sp-1, Alliteration, T, P-Sp-2, Crib extension “dances with”

MA. A-25. Hunter at work. K3. Leafy flora in plaintext.	PARROT
MA. P-12. Move your body. K3. (GILY) Begins "Dance"	OBOO
MA. X-5. Dutch Aristocrat. <b>K1</b> Common base. (niet) (English key) Begins "Alle"	BARK
MA. X-9. Spanish Amsco. Diving results. (grand prix) Period Seven. Begins "Roma"	EL CONDOR
MA. X-10. Latin Key Phrase. Cicero on literature. Google title with crib.	APPLE JACK
MA. X-11. Catalan Fractionated Morse. Battlefield. (sostraires) PARROT: Begins "Al dolor"	URKULU
MA. E-5. Homophonic. Dirty business. (XCLNS) PARROT: Last letter of key = W.	SWEET PEA
MA. E-7. Fractionated Morse. Be smart. PARROT: Crib extension: "mental attitude"	BOATTAIL
MA. E-9. Swagman. Aging eyes? (AYNNCHA) Period Six. Begins "I knew"	EL CONDOR
MA. E-11. Ragbaby. Football woes. (WUOMYM) Begins "Gary" Look up missed field goal.	SHMOO
MA. E-12. Gromark. Game time. (MWLUVVY) MSCREP: Begins "Children"	SERPENT SYRE
MA. E-15. Tridigital. Human touch. (sensitive) Separator = 2. Begins "The"	PARROT
MA. E-20. Checkerboard. A little excitement. (breaking) MSCREP: Begins "You know"	BION
MA. E-22. Grandpre. Testing. (programming) MSCREP/PARROT: Begins "It has been known for"	DYETI
MA. C-8. Addition. (No word, 0-9) M = 0. U = 8. S = 9.	ALCIBIADES
MA. C-10. Multiplication. (Two words, 0-9) First word, six letters, begins with A, ends with E.	FOMALHUT
MA. C-12. Division. (Two words, 0-9) First word, seven letters, begins with R, ends with K.	ICECAP
MA. C-Sp-1. Equations. (Two words, 0-9) Second word, eight letters, begins with E, ends with N.	LPL GAMIN
MA. AC-1284. ??? Advice. Quagmire II.	EL CONDOR
MSCREP: Crib extension: "the reason of the thing into your mind" Begins "When you"	
MJ. A-25. Market mayhem. K4. Crib: "grabs"	PELKABO
MJ. P-12. A retrospective. K4. Begins "A man"	WEAVER
MJ. X-2. Portuguese Aristocrat. <b>K1</b> . Who your friends are. (melhor-2) American industrialist quote.	SHMOO
MJ. X-7. ??? K2. Sentimental description. (English key) PARROT crib: Holland	WORD WIZARD
MJ. X-8. Dutch Pat. <b>K1</b> . Guilty pleasure. Crib placed at positions 10 & 35. Begins "Ik"	WORD WIZARD
MJ. X-10. Spanish Amsco. Antique quest. (muebles y se) PARROT: Per. 11. Begins "Entre décor-)	EL CONDOR
MJ. X-12. Latin Foursquare. Magnus Promitto. (splendat u) Ends: "Horatius"	LIONEL
MJ. E-1. Railfence. Who wants worms? (CMHN) Period Six. Two offsets.	TSOJ
MJ. E-2. Complete Col. Transposition. Advertising slogans. Period Seven. Begins "Have"	WORD WIZARD
MJ. E-3. Gronsfeld. Independence. (NBUH) Period Six. Additional crib: "obey"	OBOO
MJ. E-5. Quagmire I. Calculation aid. Period 7. Ext. crib "eightpercentoftwentyfive" placed at position 48.	BION
MJ. E-6. Cadenus. A problem for joggers. (running) Period Four. Horizontal ciphertext.	ICECAP
Plaintext begins with common three letter trigraph.	
MJ. E-7. Pollux. Confidential information? (QIGUH-2) Crib can be placed at position 76. Begins "One"	OBOO
MJ. E-8. Quagmire II. Reading your bill. Period Eight. Crib placed at position five.	DOPPELSCHACH
MJ. E-9. Fractionated Morse. Hour long game. MSCREP: Extended crib ends "five years wins"	DARING FLAIR
MJ. E-10. Vigenere. Toxic water world. (FHYKZ) Period Twelve. Begins "Over"	NIVEK
MJ. E-15. Amsco. Nothing fishy here. (hundred) PARROT: Period Eight/ Begins "Of interest"	AURION
MJ. E-19. Bifid. Small measure. Extended crib beginning at position 20 "scientists in Spain have"	THE DOC
MJ. C-4. Sudoku. (Two words) Solution at column eight.	APEX DX
MJ. C-11. Addition. (Two words, 9-0) F = 9. T = 2.	KEPLER
MJ. C-13. Addition. (No words, 9-0). U = 9. A = 0.	THE RAT

Sunny Cipherring, LIONEL

## PATRISTOCRAT SOLVING TECHNIQUES FOLLOW ON PAGE THREE.

### PATRISTOCRAT SOLVING TECHNIQUES

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- 1) Do not ignore the cipher title. It can lead you to educated word guesstimates.
- 2) Pattern crib – Align crib plaintext (pt) letter pattern with ciphertext (CT) letter pattern.
- 3) Non-pattern crib – Drag plaintext crib through the CT, looking for additional logical plaintext.
- 4) Letter frequency count – Locate high and low crib letter frequencies to CT high and low letter frequencies.
- 5) Pattern words – Look for potential pattern words at the beginning and ending of the ciphertext. Verify them by dragging potential pattern word letters through the plaintext.
- 6) Non-pattern words – Look for large non-pattern words from large word usage constructors (PETROUSHKA) at the start and finish of the ciphertext and drag their letters through the plaintext.
- 7) Alliteration – Look for wordbreaks in cipher alliteration constructions by being alert to recurring letters spaced at average word lengths through the cipher (4.3 letters for normal writing).
- 8) Look for high frequency CT digraphs (2letters) and trigraphs (three letters) that may represent high frequency pt digraphs “th, er, re, on, no, an, he, in, ed, nd, ha” and pt trigraphs “the, and, tha, ent, ion.”
- 9) Google those cipher titles that may suggest quotations from famous statesmen, comics, personalities, etc. Plaintext may be revealed.
- 10) Keyword construction recovery. Do not overlook the opportunity to use the keyword alphabet as an aid to recover additional plaintext. The K2 alphabet below suggests possible additional plaintext recovery.  
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz  
T XYZC PH RABDFGJ MN
- 11) “Keyblock discipline” is a term used by ZANAC to keep an eye on low frequency letter placements in K1 and K2 keyword alphabets. Letters occurring once or twice in the cipher construction are candidates for “b, c, j, k” at the beginning of the keyword alphabet sequence following the keyword and “v, w, x, y, z” possible candidates for the end of the alphabet sequence before the keyword. High letter (vowels) frequencies can aid in pinpointing the keyword placement.
- 12) Look for triplets (that’s three identical letters in a row. (Ex. **miSS** Some). They are easy to spot; after the second letter you can undoubtedly place a word divisor. They narrow the number of possible substitutions to 2(or at most 5). They can confirm or infirm other guesses (by elimination). The most frequent triplets are S and L. You can also find O, E and F. (TWEETY)