

## 1. Caesar Cipher Handout

### Caesar Cipher Overview:

<https://computerscienced.co.uk/site/caesar-cipher-wheel/caesar-cipher/>

Definition: A substitution cipher where each letter is shifted by a fixed number.

- How to Encode:
  - Choose a shift value (e.g., 3).
  - Shift each letter in your message by that value ( $A \rightarrow D$ ,  $B \rightarrow E$ ).

Example:

- Original: HELLO
- Shift by 3: KHOOR

Practice Exercise:

1. Encode the following words using a shift of 3:

- CAT  $\rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_
- DOG  $\rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

2. Decode the following:

- ZRU  $\rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_ (Shift of 3)

## 2. Atbash Cipher Handout

<https://www.boxentriq.com/code-breaking/atbash-cipher>

### Atbash Cipher Overview:

Definition: A substitution cipher where the alphabet is reversed ( $A \leftrightarrow Z$ ).

- How to Encode:
  - A becomes Z, B becomes Y, C becomes X, etc.

### Example:

- Original: HELLO
- Encoded: SVOOL

### Practice Exercise:

1. Encode the following words:

- BAT → \_\_\_\_\_
- FISH → \_\_\_\_\_

2. Decode the following:

- GSV JFRXP → \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. Vigenère Cipher Handout

<https://www.boxentriq.com/code-breaking/vigenere-cipher>

#### Vigenère Cipher Overview:

Definition: A polyalphabetic cipher that uses a repeating keyword to shift letters.

- How to Encode:
  - Write the keyword above the message, repeating it as necessary.
  - Shift each letter of the message according to the corresponding letter of the keyword.

#### Example:

- Keyword: KEY
- Message: HELLO
- Encoding:  $H + K = R$ ,  $E + E = I$ ,  $L + Y = J$ , etc.

#### Practice Exercise:

1. Using the keyword "KEY," encode the message "MEET ME AT DAWN."
2. Decode the following using the keyword "KEY": "RIJVS UYVJN."

#### 4. Substitution Cipher Handout

<https://planetcalc.com/8047/>

##### Substitution Cipher Overview:

Definition: Each letter is replaced with a different symbol or letter based on a key.

- How to Create a Cipher:
  - Create a key (e.g.,  $A \rightarrow @$ ,  $B \rightarrow \#$ ,  $C \rightarrow \$$ , etc.).

##### Example Key:

- $A \rightarrow \%$ ,  $B \rightarrow @$ ,  $C \rightarrow \#$ ,  $D \rightarrow \&$ ,  $E \rightarrow \$$

##### Practice Exercise:

1. Encode the following using your key:

- HELLO  $\rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

2. Decode the following using your key:

- @#&%\$  $\rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

## Group Presentation Outline

Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Encryption Method: \_\_\_\_\_

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### 1. How It Works:

- Explain the method clearly:

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- Describe the encoding and decoding process:

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### 2. Demonstration:

- Show how to encode/decode a sample message:

Sample Message: \_\_\_\_\_

Encoded Result: \_\_\_\_\_

Decoded Result: \_\_\_\_\_

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### 3. Strengths and Weaknesses:

- What makes this method strong?

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- What makes this method weak?

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- Real-world applications:

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