



Assignment: Cryptanalyst (Message Decryption)

Instructions:

The following ciphertext was generated using a simple substitution (monoalphabetic cipher) algorithm.

1. Read this message

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- 2. Decrypt this message using frequency analysis technique (count most frequently words, digraphs, trigraphs, find possible words, etc)
- 3. Submit your work to: prajanto@dsn.dinus.ac.id and handwriting exercise within 1 weeks!

 *the sooner you will submit the higher score you will have

Hints:

- The dot, comma, and space are not encrypted in this message. This will help you to separate the words
- The most frequently words in the message are 'e' and 't'
- The most common digraphs in the message are thand on
- The most common trigraphs in the message are 'tio' and 'ion'
- The most common double letters in the message are 'ss' and 'nn'
- Complete the missing letters to form a word that makes sense for example:
 - the possible word form 'th t' is 'that'
 - the possible word from 'c n' is 'can'