

# Vigenere's

## Description.

This software application encrypts and decrypts messages using the Vigenere's method. For more information on this method:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vigenère\\_cipher](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vigenère_cipher)

## Files enclosed for demonstration.

The folder containing this program in the repository has two text files. The file plainText.txt contains the unencrypted message, while encrypted.txt is the encrypted version of the plain-text message. The keyword for the encryption/decryption of these messages is *mysterious*.

## User's guide.

In order to execute the program it is necessary to compile and run it through command line. For executing it, it is necessary to input three arguments through command line. The first one is the keyword of the encryption/decryption and the second one represents the command to tell the program to encipher or decipher the message. The second argument can be "encipher" or "decipher". The third argument represents the name of the text file that wants to be encrypted or decrypted

## Input example:

EARLY ON IT BECAME APPARENT THAT THE RUMRUNNERS WERE  
ENCRYPTING THEIR COMMUNICATIONS TO THWART THE COAST GUARDS  
MISSION AND BY NINETEEN NINETY SEVEN THE USE OF CODES AND  
CIPHERS AMONG RUMRUNNING VESSELS WAS COMMONPLACE WITH THIS  
KIND OF EXPERTISE AT WORK IT WAS NOT LONG BEFORE THE SMUGGLERS  
SYSTEMS GREW INCREASINGLY COMPLEX TO COUNTER THEIR EFFORTS  
THE USCG ENLISTED THE HELP OF RENOWNED CRYPTOLOGIST ELIZABETH  
FRIEDMAN FRIEDMAN WAS CONSIDERED AN EXPERT IN THE CRYPTOLOGIC  
REALM SHE HAD STUDIED THE SUBJECT AT A CHICAGO AREA THINK TANK  
AND HAD PARTICIPATED IN CRYPTOLOGIC WORK AT OTHER FEDERAL  
AGENCIES HER ROLE WAS TO PROVIDE THE COAST GUARD SOME MEASURE  
OF FOREWARNING REGARDING THE RUMRUNNERS OPERATIONAL  
ACTIVITIES THIS WAS NO EASY TASK THE VARIOUS SYNDICATES TOOK  
STRONG MEASURES TO PROTECT THEIR COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE  
COAST GUARD NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH WAS PAYING THE UNHEARD OF  
SUM OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS A YEAR TO A RETIRED ROYAL NAVY  
LIEUTENANT COMMANDER TO RUN THEIR CRYPTOLOGIC OPERATIONS.

## Output example:

Input Message:

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Output Message:

QYJEC FVWNT QASFI RXDUJ QLLML RBHBW DSEKY EVSLK ICJXI EKFSH  
FGFZX YMWLU AKENR ZKONA ALKMS KPKUJ FRZXG FIGNY GYJWW DQGMA  
ALSGH SGBCF QRWXR EQBYL KQWOI EBYVM ECGYG FLSMS ZBUBT YMFMS  
YMFZV LUF0F ZGFZZ VAGYD EUSLG FUAIF BJSVI NQHBL TGKDM ELCZW  
JNWKX ZASUL IMJDM KEOMF ARDHR XJSZG DCLAI JUIAY XCJLW PAHYE  
EEJXA ZVQLW MQAGK CGQIE BJWQX FKCOF FCJML VQFYX RMJMW KPSOK  
OEWGP ZAHYV FFWAI CX CZJ QLGPR VLQLQ BRGES XQGNW XGRXF VBVZJ  
UCVFE ENFCW PKSGA RAQIF EGVXV VLOHW JNWKX ZVHBW OPQIX FTCAA  
OPWTP DAVYZ MBKMY UQSXL TCKNF AMQNS FYUAM TIUIS DCSML ZVYNS  
ZISGH YIRJS DRAVM GIHYV ULUKC GBCFG SGUPS ISONG FFWKJ VLSLS  
XXYXR TQSMZ QPJHP VEOML ANJHZ ZLSNZ QAGTW KOIUJ PQGFI DMOMM  
DCGYJ FZSQS DLAGK IMUJJ PGFZX YMFOE DSFGI IACJW DYLB5 EIZUU  
FGNBX ZMGNZ UQOTW EWSUK KRSLO KPSPS DGGNW JGBXA OYLXW KWCEK  
FPGGK DMOMM DCKMS GZCNW ORLAI ZZQIE YSFBG RBWIF EDJHQ KPSWG  
MQLZY RZRHG FRZXP VINGG RUZBG YEOMH MWAGK KPSOF TCSKH FNGOE  
ADLXR KPCOK MLVWS CTOLK MWWTV KWOLW FGJXH IWMUD ZYNRP ZMINW  
ZYFMG FUAUF PCJMS ICBNZ QGJVV PXHID AEAVS GMFUL UMFL

## **Program's Design.**

### **Important Variables.**

The program uses two String global variables, input and output, that store the message given to the program and the results of the process, whether it was an encipher or decipher tasks.

#### **transformEncrypt(char , char).**

This method takes two arguments of type char. One of them is the character of the keyword and the other is the plain-text letter whose encryption is related to the mentioned letter of the key. This fragment of code returns the cipher-text character obtained by encrypting the plain-text character using Vigenere's technique.

#### **transformDecrypt(char , char).**

This method takes two arguments of type char. One of them is the character of the keyword and the other is the cipher-text letter whose decryption is related to the mentioned letter of the key. This fragment of code returns the plain-text character obtained by decrypting the cipher-text character using Vigenere's technique.

#### **encipherToken().**

The method takes a string and enciphers it using Vigenere's technique. It also takes the string and stores it in the input variable, while storing the result of the encryption in the output variable.

#### **decipherToken().**

The method takes a string and decipheres it using Vigenere's technique. It also takes the string and stores it into the input variable, while storing the result of the decryption in the output variable.

#### **main().**

The main reads the text of the input file and decrypts/encrypts every line of it using encipherToken() or decipherToken(). At the end, it prints the input and output of the processes by using the mentioned global variables. Furthermore, it is also necessary to mention that this method deals with possible three invalid arguments from the command line by showing a message about the error and ending the program.