

CS458 - Spring 2022
Class Activity 1
Due in Blackboard on Sunday, February 6th (11:59pm)

Given the ciphertext:
met ge fyegakg dezyhajb ciq egmayh:

fyegakg zinckklicgaq bcpljd paprayh: Hepa faefja li dezy bcpljd iaaq ge keigliza ge gcxa hgafh ge fyegakg gmaphajnah byep kenlq, likjzqliv cideia ieg bzjjd nckklicgaq, likjzqliv kmljqyai ziqay gtajna dacyh tme kciieg ra nckklicgaq dag. faefja tlgm tacxaiaq lppzia hdhgaph ey ziqayjdliv paqlkcj keiqgleih.

vag nckklicgaq: czgmeylsaq kenlq nckkliah kci majf fyegakg dez byep kenlq. dez hmezjq vag c kenlq nckklia ch heei ch dez kci. eika dez cya bzjjd nckklicgaq, dez pcd ra crja ge hgcyg qeliv hepa gmlivh gmcg dez mcq hgeffaq qeliv rakczha eb gma fciaqplk.

tacy c pchx: Lb dez cya ieg bzjjd nckklicgaq ciq cvaq gte ey ejqay, dez hmezjq tacy c pchx li liqeey fzrjlk fjckah.

cnelq kyetqh ciq feeyjd naigljcgag hfckah: raliv li kyetqh jlxa li kjchhyeeeph, yahgczycigh, rcyh, blgiahh kaigayh, ey penla gmacgayh fzgh dez cg mlvmay ylhx bey kenlq. cnelq liqeey hfckah gmcg qe ieg ebbay byahm cly byep gma ezgqeeyh ch pzkm ch fehhlrja. lb liqeeyh, ryliiv li byahm cly rd efailiv tliqeth ciq qeeyh, lb fehhlrja.

tchm dezy mciqh ebgai tlgm heef ciq tegay bey cg jachg gtaigd hakeiqh ahfaklcjdd cbgay dez mcna raai li c fzrjlk fjcka, ey cbgay rjetliv dezy ieha, kezvmliv, ey hiaasliv.

kjaci ciq qlhlibakg: kjaci mlvm gezkm hzybeckah qeljd. gmlh likjzqah gcrjah, qeeyxierh, jlvmg htlgkmah, kezigaygefh, mciqjah, qahxh, fmeiah, xadrecyqh, geljagh, bczkagh, ciq hlixh.

Vyacg oer vzdh.

- The method used for encrypting it was simple substitution.
- No letter is encrypted as itself.
 - For example, PWEC cannot be the ciphertext for when.
- Analyze this message using the form below

Cryptanalysis Form

1.
 - Most frequent English letters: **e t a o i n s**
 - Ciphertext frequencies

unused: Q X, they can be used

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
E	F	A	Y	O	P	T	S	N	L	C	I	H	V	J	M	D	B	Z	W	Q	X	G	K	R	U

The above analysis is read as the letter taken from the ciphertext and finding the letter in the decoder. Eg: 'MET' becomes 'HOW'

2.
 - 1-letter English words: **a i**
 - One letter word in ciphertext: **A, I**
3.
 - Most frequently doubled letters in English: **s e t f l m o**
 - Double letters in ciphertext: **C, E, L, N, M, P, O, S, F**

→ Two-letter words in ciphertext:
TO, IN, BE, OR, AS, OF, IF, DO, AT, BY

→ THREE-letter words in ciphertext:
AND, HOW, NOT, WHO, YET, GET, CAN, YOU, ARE, MAY, HAD, THE, TWO,
FOR, AIR, THE, JOB

→ INITIAL letters in ciphertext:
A, H, N, W, Y, G, C, M, T, F, J, S, O, L, B, P, R, I, D, V

→ FINAL letters in ciphertext:
C, D, E, F, G, H, K, L, M, N, O, P, R, S, T, W, Y

WORKING



TASOI

BCPLJD

ARE FYEGIAK G
PROTECT

~~EZQ~~

RKM
FAMI

CZGMEYLSAQ ZINCKELLVCGO
AUTHORIZED UNVACC

CIQ
AND

MET
HOW

IEG
NOT

TME
WHO
YET

contin

Unvaccinated

VAG
GET

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CAN

DEZ
YOU

CYA
ARE

PCD
MAY

MCQ
HAD

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TOO
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AIR EKUZ

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HEPA²
SOME

DEZY²
YOUR

IAAQ
NEED

MAJP
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BYEP
FROM

HEET
SOON

EIKA
ONCE

GLXA
TAKE

BYEP²
FROM

TLGM
WITH

CRJA
ABLE

GMLG
THAT

TALY²
WEAR

PCHX²
MASK

me

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
E F A Y O P T S N L C I H V J M D B Z W UW G K R U

CVAQ
AGED

JLYA
LIKE

RCYH
BARS

FZGH
PUTS

YLHX
RISK

PZKM
MUCH

TCHM
WASH

HECF
MOAP

MCNA
HAGE
V

RAAZ
BEEN

IEHA
NASE

MLVM
HIGHER

GMLH
THIS

VZDH
GUYS