

## Example of breaking a substitution cipher

IFYPX SBSAY SLEXA BQYIF ZXFYQ GXZGF  
IYPGF YEZGB PZXKF LBQBS FXITF ZZFIY  
PQXSL WQZBP ZKXKI YEBZN IFYPX SBSAI  
FMFIP ZXYIY SAFXM SYZWI YEZGX WAGZH  
IXQFP PFPBS ZGFFC FINLY NVXIE LEXAB  
QBPGX VVFXW AGZZX ZGBSR BMXTD FQZBC  
FZIWZ GBPXW IAXYE YSLZG FFCFI NLYNV  
XIELB PCFIN PFELX KQXSQ FISFL VBZGX  
TDFQZ BCFZI WZGEX ABQBP ZGFPQ BFSQF  
XMZGF DWPZB MBQYZ BXSXM QXSQE WPBXS  
PVFGY CFIFY QGFLT NSYZW IYEIF YPXS B  
SAKNH XBSZG FIFBP ZGYZM XIPWQ GSYZW  
IYEIF YPXS B SAZXX QQWIQ XSPQB XWPSF  
PPBPS XZSFQ FPPYI NZGFC FINIF YPXS V  
FSFFL EXABQ YZYEE BPTFQ YWPFK XPZIF  
YPXS B SABPS XZQXS PQBXW PYZYE EXXXX

## Most frequent letters

F	54	11.34%	(three doubles)
X	48	10.08%	(one double)
Z	41	8.61%	(two doubles)
P	38	7.98%	(three doubles)
B	36	7.56%	
Y	35	7.35%	
S	35	7.35%	
I	33	6.93%	
Q	23	4.83%	(one double)

Case 1 Try  $F = e$

IeYPX	SBSAY	SLEXA	BQYIe	ZXeYQ	GXZGe
IYPGe	YEZGB	PZXKe	LBQBS	eXITe	ZZeIY
PQXSL	WQZBP	ZXKXI	YEBZN	IeYPX	SBSAI
eMeIP	ZXYIY	SAeXM	SYZWI	YEZGX	WAGZH
IXQeP	PePBS	ZGeeC	eINLY	NVXIE	LEXAB
QBPGX	VVeXW	AGZZX	ZGBSR	BMXTD	eQZBC
eZIWZ	GBPXW	IAXYE	YSLZG	eeCeI	NLYNV
XIELB	PCeIN	PeELX	KQXSQ	eISeL	VBZGX
TDeQZ	BCeZI	WZGEX	ABQBP	ZGePQ	BeSQe
XMZGe	DWPZB	MBQYZ	BXSXM	QXSQE	WPBXS
PVeGY	CeIeY	QGeLT	NSYZW	IYEIe	YPXSB
SAKNH	XBSZG	eIeBP	ZGYZM	XIPWQ	GSYZW
IYEIe	YPXSB	SAZXX	QQWIQ	XSPQB	XWPSe
PPBPS	XZSeQ	ePPYI	NZGeC	eINIe	YPXSV
eSeeL	EXABQ	YZYEE	BPTeQ	YWPeK	XPZIE
YPXSB	SABPS	XZQXS	PQBXW	PYZYE	EXXXX

Case 1.1 Try  $X = t$

IeYPt SBSAY SLEtA BQYIe ZteYQ GtZGe  
IYPGe YEZGB PZtKe LBQBS etITe ZZeIY  
PQtSL WQZBP ZtKtI YEBZN IeYPt SBSAI  
eMeIP ZtYIY SAetM SYZWI YEZGt WAGZH  
ItQeP PePBS ZGeeC eINLY NVtIE LEtAB  
QBPGt VVetW AGZZt ZGBSR BmtTD eQZBC  
eZIWZ GBPtW IAtYE YSLZG eeCeI NLYNV  
tIELB PCeIN PeELt KQtSQ eISeL VBZGt  
TDeQZ BCeZI WZGet ABQBP ZGePQ BeSQe  
tMZGe DWPZB MBQYZ BtStM QtSQE WPBtS  
PVeGY CeIeY QGeLT NSYZW IYEIe YPtSB  
SAKNH tBSZG eIeBP ZGYZM tIPWQ GSYZW  
IYEIe YPtSB SAZtt QQWIQ tSPQB tWPSe  
PPBPS tZSeQ ePPYI NZGeC eINIE YPtSV  
eSeeL EtABQ YZYEE BPTeQ YWPeK tPZIE  
YPtSB SABPS tZQtS PQBtW PYZYE Etttt

There are only two occurrences of  $t * e$ , one as  $tKe$  and the other as  $tQe$ . It is unlikely there will be only one ‘the’ in this text so, if  $F = e$ , then probably  $X \neq t$ .

Case 1.2 Try  $Z = t$

IeYPX	SBSAY	SLEXA	BQYIe	tXeYQ	GXtGe
IYPGe	YEtGB	PtXKe	LBQBS	eXITe	tteIY
PQXSL	WQtBP	tXKXI	YEBtN	IeYPX	SBSAI
eMeIP	tXYIY	SAeXM	SYtWI	YEtGX	WAGtH
IXQeP	PePBS	tGeeC	eINLY	NVXIE	LEXAB
QBPGX	VVeXW	AGttX	tGBSR	BMXTD	eQtBC
etIWt	GBPXW	IAXYE	YSLtG	eeCeI	NLYNV
XIELB	PCeIN	PeELX	KQXSQ	eISeL	VBtGX
TDeQt	BCetI	WtGEX	ABQBP	tGePQ	BeSQe
XMtGe	DWPtB	MBQYt	BXSXM	QXSQE	WPBXS
PVeGY	CeIeY	QGeLT	NSYtW	IYEIe	YPXSB
SAKNH	XBStG	eIeBP	tGYtM	XIPWQ	GSYtW
IYEIe	YPXSB	SAtXX	QQWIQ	XSPQB	XWPSe
PPBPS	XtSeQ	ePPYI	NtGeC	eINIe	YPXSV
eSeeL	EXABQ	YtYEE	BPTeQ	YWPeK	XPtIe
YPXSB	SABPS	XtQXS	PQBxW	PYtYE	EXXX

There are lots (7) occurrences of  $tGe$ .

Try  $G = h$

IeYPX SBSAY SLEXA BQYIe tXeYQ hXthe  
IYPhe YEthB PtXKe LBQBS eXITe tteIY  
PQXSL WQtBP tXKXI YEBtN IeYPX SBSAI  
eMeIP tXYIY SAeXM SYtWI YEthX WAhtH  
IXQeP PePBS theeC eINLY NVXIE LEXAB  
QBPhX VVeXW AhttX thBSR BMXTD eQtBC  
etIWt hBPXW IAXYE YSLth eeCeI NLYNV  
XIELB PCeIN PeELX KQXSQ eISeL VBthX  
TDeQt BCetI WthEX ABQBP thePQ BeSQe  
XMthe DWPtB MBQYt BXSXM QXSQE WPBXS  
PVehY CeIeY QheLT NSYtW IYEIe YPXSB  
SAKNH XBStH eIeBP thYtM XIPWQ hSYtW  
IYEIe YPXSB SAtXX QQWIQ XSPQB XWPSe  
PPBPS XtSeQ ePPYI NtheC eINIe YPXSV  
eSeeL EXABQ YtYEE BPTeQ YWPeK XPtIe  
YPXSB SABPS XtQXS PQBXW PYtYE EXXXX

Letter frequencies suggest that  $X \in \{a, o\}$ .  
Since there is one  $XX$ , it is perhaps more  
likely that  $X$  is  $o$  than  $a$ .

Try  $X=0$

IeYPo SBSAY SLEoA BQYIe toeYQ hothe  
IYPhe YEthB PtoKe LBQBS eoITe tteIY  
PQoSL WQtBP toKoI YEBtN IeYPo SBSAI  
eMeIP toYIY SAeom SYtWI YEtho WAhtH  
IoQeP PePBS theeC eINLY NVoIE LEoAB  
QBPho VVeow Ahtto thBSR BMoTD eQtBC  
etIWt hBPoW IAoYE YSLth eeCeI NLYNV  
oIELB PCeIN PeELo KQoSQ eISeL VBtho  
TDeQt BCetI WthEo ABQBP thePQ BeSQe  
oMthe DWPtB MBQYt BoSoM QoSQE WPBoS  
PVehY CeIeY QheLT NSYtW IYEIe YPoSB  
SAKNH oBStH eIeBP thYtM oIPWQ hSYtW  
IYEIe YPoSB SAtoo QQWIQ oSPQB oWPSe  
PPBPS otSeQ ePPYI NtheC eINIe YPoSV  
eSeeL EoABQ YtYEE BPTeQ YWPeK oPtIe  
YPoSB SABPS otQoS PQBoW PYtYE Eoooo

*oW Ahtto* is a sequence. This looks like

‘...ought to...’ so try  $W = u$  and  $A = g$

IeYPo SBSgY SLEog BQYIe toeYQ hothe  
IYPhe YEthB PtoKe LBQBS eoITe tteIY  
PQoSL uQtBP toKoI YEBtN IeYPo SBSgI  
eMeIP toYIY SgeoM SYtuI YEtho ughtH  
IoQeP PePBS theeC eINLY NVoIE LEogB  
QBPho VVeou ghtto thBSR BMoTD eQtBC  
etIut hBPou IgoYE YSLth eeCeI NLYNV  
oIELB PCeIN PeELo KQoSQ eISeL VBtho  
TDeQt BCetI uthEo gBQBP thePQ BeSQe  
oMthe DuPtB MBQYt BoSoM QoSQE uPBoS  
PVehY CeIeY QheLT NSYtu IYEIe YPoSB  
SgKNH oBStH eIeBP thYtM oIPuQ hSYtu  
IYEIe YPoSB Sgtoo QQuIQ oSPQB ouPSe  
PPBPS otSeQ ePPYI NtheC eINIe YPoSV  
eSeeL EogBQ YtYEE BPTeQ YuPeK oPtIe  
YPoSB SgBPS otQoS PQBou PYtYE Eoooo

*ho VVeou ghtto* is a sequence. This looks like



'how we ought to...' so try  $V = w$

IeYPo SBSgY SLEog BQYIe toeYQ hothe  
IYPhe YEthB PtoKe LBQBS eoITe tteIY  
PQoSL uQtBP toKoI YEBtN IeYPo SBSgI  
eMeIP toYIY SgeoM SYtuI YEtho ughtH  
IoQeP PePBS theeC eINLY NwoIE LEogB  
QBPho wweou ghtto thBSR BMoTD eQtBC  
etIut hBPou IgoYE YSLth eeCeI NLYNw  
oIELB PCeIN PeELo KQoSQ eISeL wBtho  
TDeQt BCetI uthEo gBQBP thePQ BeSQe  
oMthe DuPtB MBQYt BoSoM QoSQE uPBoS  
PwehY CeIeY QheLT NSYtu IYEIe YPoSB  
SgKNH oBStH eIeBP thYtM oIPuQ hSYtu  
IYEIe YPoSB Sgtoo QQuIQ oSPQB ouPSe  
PPBPS otSeQ ePPYI NtheC eINIe YPoSw  
eSeeL EogBQ YtYEE BPTeQ YuPeK oPtIe  
YPoSB SgBPS otQoS PQBou PYtYE Eoooo

Letter frequencies suggest that  $P \in \{a, i, s\}$ .  
Since  $eP PeP$  is a sequence it is unlikely  
that  $P \in \{a, i\}$ .

Try  $P = s$ .

IeYso SBSgY SLEog BQYIe toeYQ hothe  
IYshe YEthB stoKe LBQBS eoITe tteIY  
sQoSL uQtBs toKoI YEBtN IeYso SBSgI  
eMeIs toYIY SgeoM SYtuI YEtho ughtH  
IoQes sesBS theeC eINLY NwoIE LEogB  
QBsho wweou ghtto thBSR BMoTD eQtBC  
etIut hBsou IgoYE YSLth eeCeI NLYNw  
oIELB sCeIN seELo KQoSQ eISeL wBtho  
TDeQt BCetI uthEo gBQBs thesQ BeSQe  
oMthe DustB MBQYt BoSoM QoSQE usBoS  
swehY CeIeY QheLT NSYtu IYEIe YsoSB  
SgKNH oBStH eIeBs thYtM oIsuQ hSYtu  
IYEIe YsoSB Sgtoo QQuIQ oSsQB ousSe  
ssBsS otSeQ essYI NtheC eINIE YsoSw  
eSeeL EogBQ YtYEE BsTeQ YuseK ostIe  
YsoSB SgBsS otQoS sQBou sYtYE Eoooo

Letter frequencies suggest that  $B \in \{a, i, r, n\}$ .  
Since we have the sequence  $thBsto$ ,  $B \neq r, n$ .  
Since we have the sequence  $Bous$  we probably have  $B \neq a$ .

Try  $B = i$

IeYso SiSgY SLEog iQYIe toeYQ hothe  
IYshe YEthi stoKe LiQiS eoITe tteIY  
sQoSL uQtis toKoI YEitN IeYso SiSgI  
eMeIs toYIY SgeoM SYtuI YEtho ughtH  
IoQes sesiS theeC eINLY NwoIE LEogi  
Qisho wweou ghtto thiSR iMoTD eQtiC  
etIut hisou IgoYE YSLth eeCeI NLYNw  
oIELi sCeIN seELO KQoSQ eISeL witho  
TDeQt iCetI uthEo giQis thesQ ieSQe  
oMthe Dusti MiQYt ioSoM QoSQE usioS  
swehY CeIeY QheLT NSYtu IYEIe YsoSi  
SgKNH oiSth eIeis thYtM oIsuQ hSYtu  
IYEIe YsoSi Sgtoo QQuIQ oSsQi ousSe  
ssisS otSeQ essYI NtheC eINIe YsoSw  
eSeeL EogiQ YtYEE isTeQ YuseK ostIe  
YsoSi SgisS otQoS sQiou sYtYE Eoooo

Letter frequencies now suggest that  $\{Y, S, I\} = \{a, r, n\}$ . We have the sequence *isS otSeQ essYI N* which looks like

'is not necessary' so try  $S = n$ ,  $Q = c$ ,  
 $Y = a$ ,  $I = r$ ,  $Q = c$ ,  $N = y$

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Take  $L = d$ ,  $E = l$ , and  $K = m$

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roces sesin theeC eryda yworl dlogi  
cisho wweou ghtto thinR iMoTD ectiC  
etrut hisou rgoal andth eeCer ydayw  
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Take  $C = v$ ,  $H = p$ ,  $M = f$ ,  $R = k$ ,  $D = j$ ,  
 $T = b$

reaso ninga ndlog icare toeac hothe rashe  
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Reasoning and logic are to each other as health is to medicine or better as conduct is to morality. Reasoning refers to a range of natural thought processes in the everyday world. Logic is how we ought to think if objective truth is our goal and the everyday world is very seldom concerned with objective truth. Logic is the science of the justification of conclusions we have reached by natural reasoning. My point here is that for such natural reasoning to occur consciousness is not necessary. The very reason we need logic at all is because most reasoning is not conscious at all.