

Caesar Cipher Instructions

How To Make A Cipher Wheel:

1. Print off the cipher wheel template onto cardstock.
2. Carefully cut both of the Cipher Wheels out.
3. Poke a small hole in the center of the circles.
4. Place the smaller wheel on top of the larger wheel.
5. Push the brass paper fastener through the small wheel and then through the larger wheel, open the split pin at the back so that the wheels are fastened together.

How To Use Your Cipher Wheel

- The ciphertext is capitalized, while the plaintext is lowercase.
- Using either letter frequency or knowledge of single or two-letter words, you can begin by guessing what some letters in the coded message are.
- Using those guesses, turn the wheel so that the coded (capital letter) letter is directly opposite the letter you think it maps to.
- Now, keeping the wheel from turning, go to other coded letters and see if the lowercase letters makes sense.
 - If so, you have chosen the correctly.
 - If not, try to map the first coded letter you chose to another lowercase letter and try again.



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