SIXTH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CRYPTOGRAMS

(FIRST YEAR DIDN'T COUNT)

So here's how it works. Each of the numbered messages below has been encoded from some original text by replacing one letter consistently by another throughout the message. Thus, for example, GLOOMY TIME could turn into CHEERS WORK, with G becoming C, L becoming H, etc. Different messages have different encodings. Your job is to discover the original messages. Sometimes a word in the encoded message gives a hint about the true message. Long messages are often easier to decode than short ones, because there are likely to be common words in them, such as "the," "and," etc. The messages are not necessarily listed in order of increasing difficulty. The first few messages have a Christmas theme; they get more secular later. Good luck, and have fun.

Answers are available from wright@uoregon.edu.

1. IF STUFF DRANK WE WURFAS BUF.
XFBURAN NRESK, IF SUBJFUKF BEBU. ERFOH
BAH EWMASBRA, GWWU BAH GWMASBRA,
EWOOWIRAN PWAHFU KSBU. — GBNRYBO YBUWO

2. PK'R GEBAVHE NARU EVI LPKLBAVHAU
USAHK. HYVVE MAVI YOU SPY'R VEOPUD
EVIVALK. — EVENREVUE?

3. NIGHT MIH KONDOH, PICBSN EHT ABOUT.
BIUM OHERHC FI CSHTSN EHT POUT, FUSSY
OH BSEKSHUM YSEAS. FUSSY OH BSEKSHUM
YSEAS. — WIFSYBPBN
4. RT IB NGL GIRKLNIT SLABELLS TORKL. IRN PRUTK WIIE IFE KOBNO YFORK. EIHBN GSI RG NGL YG AUBLC HANG FINK ID NICK, OFF DIS NGL FANNFIL IBLK’ YGSAKNUOK PICK. – GIRKL KNIT KIBW

5. WKOS PUU WKO DOESGOOD UYBOG KEL PN WKOR NKYAWOG YAW FEWK MUOO, DAGYUCK WKO DOG-SYNOG DOESGOOD, RYA’UU MY GYFS ES KENWYDOO. – CPOPS WY UOPGODNKEC

6. NOEL, AND NDEOWM AETUSID KTICK, OMYDEATHTIC BRIMERSK ANTICK. – ARF WDNEDE

7. APT FYR Y DPFUISK SAYS ICUDSD PR URDSYRS LYDAIH OPSYSPI, OYFYNYVHIH FYNI LUCID, BEMPIMR HURRIED, YRH URDSYRS FYLIEYD SIYFA OYSUIRFI SP USD KPGRV? – OYGW DTIIIRIK

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8. A MUTI VEUZIX QRD NUKZ QUNRPC
LRKKXPLSRDC XPDako NZ EAQI. SMI WISSID
SMI LRKKXPLSRD, SMI NRDI SMI RKI MUSIC
MAN! RQ UEE SMI NUKZ LRKKXPLSRDC SMUS A
MUTI VEUZIX QRD, A EABIX RDNUKXZ SMI
WICS. — NUDLIE SUWPSIUP, EIOIKXUDZ
VMAEUXIEVMAU RWRACs

9. FROTHY F BETAPE BUFA UP AUTHOR
FLICA METATMR TR STOP FROTHY F SFKN
NIRA UIB TA WPPSR FLICA GIYR. — FHH
SFHGPER

10. VOICE CAE’I PLOP. CI QRAI AXLVVA
GREEK. — QUAD MUNNDCU, HCNCWOLPCO
LPClUM (MUXOEA CPPl EUl DOHl Y UM Z.)

11. TVAHLDK LD HIT GYTDHITHLM HIGH
SPEED HIT UGLY AN DHPULSLHC. — NOGYW
BLEELGK ETGIC, NAHHRGEEM AGMI

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12. SOTRUEIDIOTI – CBIO ARM IWYOIVDHA
FIHSIKI ARM TWO TRUEIOVWDI PRY W HWTL
RP VLSHH FA GRMFHSON ARMY IPPRYDV,
DBIYI'V OR IOG DR CBWD ARM TWO'D GR.
– HWYYA LIYVDIO

13. N WEDR BU BANKS BAIB BAD THINK
LIE BAD OUEB LUKRHDHCWP UHXIK NK OF
TURF. BADK N HDIPNMDR LAU LIE BDPPNKX
OD BANE. – DOU YANPPNYE