

## HOW TO CREATE A SECRET CODE

Creating a secret code can be as simple or as complex as you want. Here are some strategies you could use.

### 1. Substitution Cipher

Replace each letter with another letter. Shift each letter forward by 3 in the alphabet:

- Write the alphabet in a row.
- Write a shifted alphabet underneath (see example below).
- Replace each letter in your message with the shifted letter.

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

### 2. Reverse Cipher

Use the system below to make the cipher a little more complicated. Write the alphabet in reverse. Write each word in reverse.

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

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Teem em ni tnorf fo eht loolhcs.

### 3. Split the alphabet in half and replace each letter with its opposite.

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

### 4. Pig Latin

This code is accomplished by moving the first letter from each word and attaching it to the end of the word. Then add the suffix /ay/ to the end of the word.

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Eetmay emay niay rontfay foay hetay choosay.