



## Morse Code Classroom Activity

In 1836, Samuel F. B. Morse and Alfred Vail invented an electrical telegraph system. It could send messages over long distances by using pulses of electricity. The code used a system of dots and dashes to represent letters.

On Golden Spike Day in 1869, when the transcontinental railroad's last spike was driven into the rail, a Morse Code telegraph operator spelled out D O N E! He sent the message across the nation so everyone could celebrate.

**SEE YOUR NAME:** Use the Morse Code chart to spell out your first name. Leave a space after each letter.

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**HEAR YOUR NAME:** The link below is a Morse Code Translator. Type in your name and click "Listen." You will hear your name as it would sound on a telegraph.

<http://www.glassgiant.com/geek/morse/>