

# Whitehorse Telegraph Office

## Yukon Historic Site

Whitehorse, Yukon



Completed in 1900, the Telegraph Office in Whitehorse is one of Whitehorse's oldest buildings. From the late 1920s to the early 1930s, the building served as the headquarters of the Boy Scouts. In 1952, the Yukon Historical Society converted the Telegraph Office into a museum. The Telegraph Office forms part of the MacBride Museum today.

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<http://register.yukonhistoricplaces.ca/>

## International Morse Code

1. The length of a dot is one unit.
2. A dash is three units.
3. The space between parts of the same letter is one unit.
4. The space between letters is three units.
5. The space between words is seven units.

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The Yukon Telegraph Line was built to keep Dawson City in touch with the outside world. Telegraph operators used morse code, a series of dots and dashes matching the letters of the alphabet to relay messages down the line.

# Morse Code

Use the Morse code chart on the previous page to solve the sentence below:

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Your answer: \_\_\_\_\_

Once you have solved the sentence, email the answer to [heritage.planning@gov.yk.ca](mailto:heritage.planning@gov.yk.ca) to be entered into our giveaway.