



Out with the Old...



This code's first version written by its namesake had spaces in some of the letters and utilized dashes of various lengths. Sounds confusing! That version was soon replaced by a much-improved version developed by Friedrich Gerke, which is pretty much the code that is still in use today – admittedly, mostly by puzzle solvers.

The cryptic message below doesn't seem to mean anything, but send it anyway on your electric telegraph system. Realize, however, that by the time this sleepy message from yesteryear arrives at its destination, the telegraph wire will have changed into a fiberoptic cable. All the dots and dashes will have woken up to a new era – and a new code – where computers do quite a *bit* of the communicating, providing yeses and noes to all our inquiries. By the way, woken dots don't look much different, perhaps more wide-eyed and alert, but woken dashes look very different – tall, attentive and ready to stand their ground!

This new message will suggest a location where one would assume one could find all sorts of useful information about the original outdated code. Good luck with that!

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