

# *Morning* ROUTINE

GET YOUR DAY OFF TO A GRAND START!

## Mental Stretch



**This Day In History**  
**Riddle of the Day**



# Today In History ...

On March 23, 1839, the initials “O.K.” are first published in The Boston Morning Post. Meant as an abbreviation for “oll korrekt,” a popular slang misspelling of “all correct” at the time, OK steadily made its way into the everyday speech of Americans.

During the late 1830s, it was a favorite practice among younger, educated circles to misspell words intentionally, then abbreviate them and use them as slang when talking to one another. Just as teenagers today have their own slang based on distortions of common words, such as “kewl” for “cool” or “DZ” for “these,” the “in crowd” of the 1830s had a whole host of slang terms they abbreviated. Popular abbreviations included “KY” for “No use” (“know yuse”), “KG” for “No go” (“Know go”), and “OW” for all right (“oll wright”).

**We say OK all the time.**

**Did you know it originally meant “oll korrekt”?**

# Riddle of the Day

*What can point in every direction but can't reach  
the destination by itself.*

Put your name and answer in an email to  
[estern@holychildnm.com](mailto:estern@holychildnm.com). Good luck!