

Zadanie 8. (0–4)

Przeczytaj tekst. Uzupełnij każdą lukę (8.1.–8.4.), przekształcając jeden z wyrazów z ramki w taki sposób, aby powstał spójny i logiczny tekst. Wymagana jest pełna poprawność gramatyczna i ortograficzna wpisywanych wyrazów.

Uwaga: dwa wyrazy zostały podane dodatkowo i nie pasują do żadnej luki.

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WHAT ARE THE ROOTS OF “OK”?

OK is an American English word denoting approval, acceptance or agreement. *OK* has been described as the most **8.1.** _____ used word on the planet. There have been numerous attempts to trace the origin of *OK*, but many of the **8.2.** _____ that have emerged are pure speculation.

One likely theory is that the term originated during the American presidential elections in 1840 as the Democratic Party slogan. Their candidate was President Martin Van Buren. A group of his supporters formed the “OK Club”. *OK* stood for the initials of Van Buren’s nickname, *Old Kinderhook*. The abbreviation gained **8.3.** _____ among voters and started to be used all over the world in subsequent years.

Another theory with at least some degree of credibility is that *OK* was first used by slaves from West Africa as it meant *all right* or *yes indeed* in **8.4.** _____ West African languages. However, little evidence has been found to support this theory.

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