

Task 1 : Guess the missing words in Barak Obama's speech

Task 2 : Listen to the speech to check your answers.

<http://edition.cnn.com/2008/POLITICS/11/04/election.president/index.html#cnnSTCVideo>

Hello, Chicago.

If there is anyone out there who still doubts that America is a place where all things are possible, who still wonders if the dream of our founders is alive in our time, who still questions the power of our democracy, tonight is your _____.

It's the answer told by lines that stretched around schools and churches in numbers this nation has never seen, by people who _____ three hours and four hours, many for the first time in their _____, because they believed that this time must be different, that their voices could be that difference.

It's the answer spoken by _____ and old, _____ and poor, _____ and Republican, black, white, Hispanic, Asian, Native American, _____, straight, disabled and not disabled. Americans who sent a _____ to the world that we have never been just a collection of individuals or a collection of red states and blue states.

We are, and always will _____, the _____ of _____.

It's the answer that led those who've been told for so long by so many to be cynical and fearful and doubtful about what we can achieve to put their hands on the arc of history and bend it once more toward the _____ of a better day.

It's been a long time coming, but tonight, because of what we did on this date in this election at this defining moment _____ has come to America.

Watch the full speech and read the full transcript at :

<http://edition.cnn.com/2008/POLITICS/11/04/obama.transcript/index.html#cnnSTCVideo>

Vocabulary :

Unscramble the words to find the synonyms of :

(to) doubt : UONQTIES ; WDOERN

queue : LIEN

Indian: SIAAN

Red Indian : NACANE AMTIVERI

Mexican: ISHNIPAC

Use the context to understand and find in the text the words corresponding to the following definitions:

People who died long ago but built the nation:

A verb describing the movement and disposition of the queues in front of the polling offices: _____

An adjective qualifying a minority group that is often criticized for their sexual habits: _____

An adjective describing the people who don't belong to this minority group: _____

A verb describing the movement of the string on an arc

A false friend which does not mean "finish", but evokes success:

Task 3 Comprehension :

Right or wrong ? *Justify with quotes from the text*

The people who voted for Obama believe in the American dream.

The people who voted for Obama do not trust democracy.

These elections didn't attract many voters.

People didn't feel their vote was important.

The interest of the nation has been stronger than the interest of the individuals.

The people of America don't want to fight for a better America.

From now on America is going to be different.

Task 4 : give a presentation to the class.

Here is a series of cartoons published in the newspapers after Obama's election. and one quote.

Select one of the documents and get ready to explain it to the rest of the class.

Explain who the people are, what they are doing . What is the cartoonist's message.

Conclude by saying how you reacted to Obama being elected.

" Rosa sat so Martin could walk. Martin walked, so Obama could run. Obama is running so our children can fly. " *Overheard on NPR*

Cartoons to be selected from : <http://cagle.com/news/ObamaWins08/main.asp>