

Student's worksheet for Churchill's speech

Complete the text using the following words:

enemy island the United States perhaps duties
battle sink freed

What General Weygand has called the Battle of France is over. The Battle of Britain is about to begin. Upon this (1).....depends the survival of Christian civilization. Upon it depends our own British life, and the long continuity of our institutions and our Empire. The whole fury and might of the (2).....must very soon be turned on us. Hitler knows that he will have to break us in this (3).....or lose the war. If we can stand up to him, all Europe may be (4)..... and the life of the world may move forward into broad, sunlit uplands.

But if we fail, then the whole world, including (5)....., including all that we have known and cared for, will (6).....into the abyss of a new dark age made more sinister, and (7)..... more protracted, by the lights of perverted science. Let us therefore brace ourselves to our (8)....., and so bear ourselves, that if the British Empire and its Commonwealth last for a thousand years, men will still say, *This was their finest hour.*

Winston Churchill

survival – przetrwanie	protract – przedłużać, przeciągać
might – moc, potęga	perverted – zdemoralizowany
fury – furia, zaciekłość	brace – spiąć kłamrą
move forward – iść do przodu	bear – cierpieć, wytrzymać ciężar
abyss - przepaść, otchłań, głębia	therefore – w związku z tym, zatem
sinister – złowrogi, złowieszczy	

Quiz about the Battle of Britain:

1. The Battle of Britain was:

- a) from 10.07.1940 to 31.10.1940 b) from 20.03.1941 to 30.06.1941
c) from 15.06.1942 to 25.09.1942

2. Polish Squadron Kościuszko in the Battle of Britain was number:

- a) 302 b) 303 c) 310

3. Polish Squadron Poznań in the Battle of Britain was number:

- a) 302 b) 303 c) 310

4. How many Polish battle-hardened airmen fought in the Battle of Britain?

- a) 126 b) 145 c) 201

5. How many victories did Josef Frantisek (Czech airman in Polish squadron) have during the Battle of Britain?

- a) 10 b) 15 c) 17

6. Who was the top Polish scorer in the Battle of Britain?

- a) Antoni Głowacki b) Witold Urbanowicz c) Stanisław Skalski

7. How many German planes were shot down by 303 Squadron pilots?

- a) 93 b) 105 c) 126