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## Getting the Name of the Boot Volume



> I am working on a MetaCard project that may run from a CD, but  
> needs to write to the computer's hard drive. However, I have not  
> found a way to get the name of the computer's boot disk if the  
> MetaCard program is running on the CD. Does anyone know how to  
> reference the boot volume from a CD in MetaCard?

If I understand your question, it sounds like the tempName is what you want.

Perhaps the following would do what you need:

```
function getBootVolume
  if "Win" is in platform() then
    set itemDel to "\"
    put item 1 of tempName() into tVolume
  end if
  if "Mac" is in platform() then
    put line 1 of the volumes into tVolume
  end if
  return tVolume
end getBootVolume
```

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