



2013年1月実施 大学入試センター試験「英語(筆記)」から抜粋

制限時間 2分

第6問 次の文章を読み、下の問いに答えよ。 なお、文章の左にある(1)~(6)は段落の番号を表している。

- (1) Dance is one of the oldest forms of art, and it is seen in every culture and performed for a variety of purposes. In modern society, dance is widely recognized as a form of entertainment: many people enjoy dancing for fun or watching their favorite artists dance on stage or screen. It can also be a form of sport: there are dance competitions of various types. In addition to these obvious functions, however, there are other more complex roles dance can play in a society.
- (2) Sometimes dance serves to help teach social rules to young members of a community. A kind of dance called the minuet is a good example. The minuet originated in France and by the 18th century had become popular among the European elite. In Britain, debutantes, or upper-class women about to make their entrance into adult society by attending their first dance, were strictly trained for their first minuet. They usually danced it before a crowd of people who would critically observe their movements and behavior. This dance taught them how to behave like a member of high society. One writer, in fact, called the minuet one of the best schools of manners ever invented.
- (3) ~ (6) は省略
- A 次の問いの 46 に入れるのに最も適当なものを、下の(1) (2) のうちから一つ選べ。
 - 問**1** In paragraph (2), the topic of debutantes is introduced to provide an example of 46.
 - (1) how long it took young people to learn the minuet
 - (2) the kind of schools that the European elite attended
 - (3) the role women played when dancing the minuet
 - 4 young people learning how to act properly

