

Before Reading Have you ever heard of Andy Warhol?

Pop Art

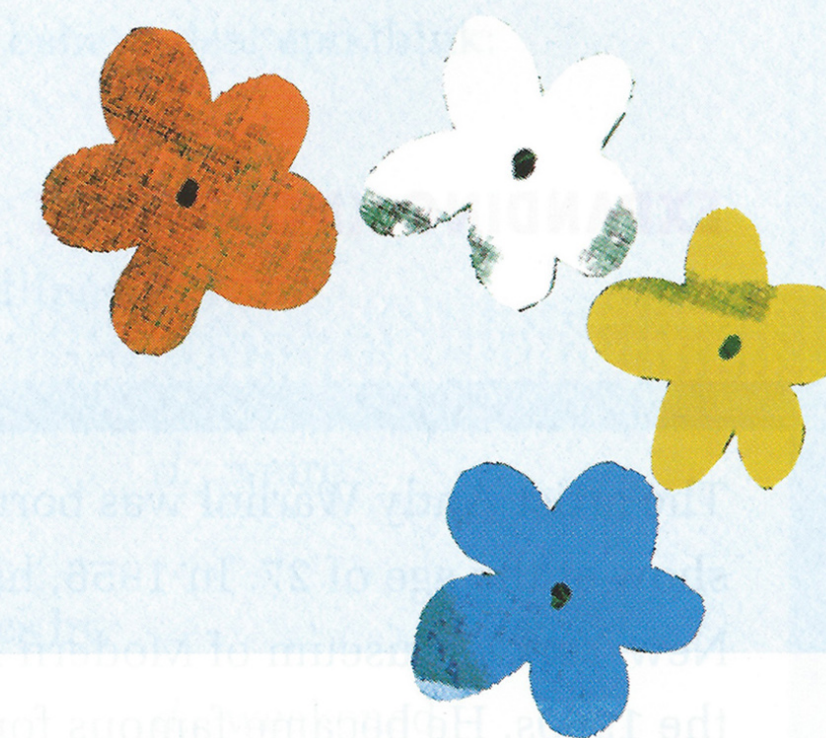
If you visit the Museum of Modern Art in New York, you will find a painting of 32 ordinary soup cans. ① It's very simple, so you probably wouldn't consider it anything special. ② However, you may be surprised to know that it's worth more than 11 million dollars! ③ The true value of artwork isn't related to money at all. ④ Actually, it is one of the most famous pieces of pop art ever created.

Pop art is short for popular art. It refers to an art that focuses on popular culture. It began in the 1950s in Britain and the U.S., and then spread around the world. Pop art includes (A) such as celebrities, advertisements, comic books, movies, and television shows. There are a number of famous pop artists, including Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein. Warhol is known for using images of famous people and things, often copying them and



changing their colors. Meanwhile, Lichtenstein is known for paintings inspired by cartoons.

Pop art is exciting and popular because it offers a totally new, fresh look at daily life. Traditionally, art had been considered something that was elite and had nothing to do with ordinary things. Pop art challenged this idea. It turned the images people see in daily life into something artistic and interesting. That's why the work of pop artists appeals to everyone, even now. Clearly, thanks to pop art, art has become more familiar to the public!



READING COMPREHENSION

1 What is the best title for the passage?

- a. How to Enjoy Pop Art
- b. Pop Art: Art for the Elite
- c. Pop Art: Art from Daily Life
- d. The Famous Works of Pop Art

2 Which sentence is NOT needed in the passage?

- a. ①
- b. ②
- c. ③
- d. ④

3 What is the best choice for blank (A)?

- a. strange topics
- b. boring materials
- c. everyday objects
- d. something classical

4 What is NOT mentioned about pop art?

- a. Where it began
- b. What artists were involved
- c. Why it has been popular
- d. When it ended

5 Before pop art became popular, art had been thought of as _____

6 Write T if the statement is true or F if it's false.

- 1) Lichtenstein is famous for his works that use images of celebrities.
- 2) Pop art is different from traditional art because of its fresh view on daily life.