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The History of Dance.

Dancing has always been popular amongst communities. Did you know that cavemen and women drew pictures of them dancing inside their caves? The pictures show that they danced for fun, special occasions and for ritual, just like today!

There are many dance styles all around the World and people still dance for different reasons. In Ancient Egypt, women would dance at funerals to show how sad they felt and in Ancient Greece people would dance to honour their Gods and to celebrate.

Ballet became popular in the 1600s because King Louis XIV of France enjoyed watching it. It was considered a great thing to watch if the King himself watched it! People started going to the theatre to watch ballet and this is one reason why performing arts became popular.

Some of the most popular dance styles around the world today include ballet, jazz, tap, hip-hop and salsa.

Which style of dance would you like to try? Why not let the Boundless team know and maybe they could upload a tutorial!

Now have a go at answering these questions...



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Who drew pictures of themselves dancing?

Who helped to make ballet popular in the 1600s?

Which of the following is not a style of dance? Circle your answer.

Ballet

Jazz

Skipping

Hip-Hop

Salsa

Draw a line to match the person to the correct reason as to why they danced.

Ancient
Greeks

To show
how sad
they were

Ancient
Egyptian
women

To honour
their Gods