



# Writing a Story

## Exercise 45

В упражнении использовано задание финала олимпиады СПбГУ 2022/23 для 10-11 класса

**Write the appropriate ending to the story given below:**

That week the principal of our school announced over the loudspeaker that the Parent-Teacher Association was giving a Thanksgiving square dance for the three sixth-grade classes. For the next two weeks our gym period was devoted to square-dancing lessons. Mr. Benedict said if we were being given this party the least we could do to show our appreciation was to learn to do the basic steps. We practiced with records and Mr. Benedict jumped around a lot, clapping his hands.

The problem with square-dance lessons was that most of the boys were a lot more interested in stepping on our feet than they were in learning how to dance. And a few of them were so good at it they could step on us in time to the music. Mostly, I concentrated on not getting my feet squashed.

On the morning of the square dance I dressed in my new skirt and blouse. We had a genuine square-dance caller. He stood on the stage and told us what steps to do.

We had to line up every time there was a new dance. The girls lined up on one side and the boys on the other. That's how you got a partner. The only trouble was there were four more girls than boys, so whoever wound up last on line had to dance with another leftover girl.