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以下の英文は、英語で書かれた英文法書の序章から引用したものです。この英文を読み、下記の問いに答えてください。

① English is probably the most widely used language in the world, with around 400 million native speakers and a similar number of bilingual speakers in several dozen partially English-speaking countries, and hundreds of millions more users in other countries where English is widely known and used in business, government, or media. It is used for governmental communications, in India; a daily newspaper in Cairo; and the speeches in the parliament of Papua New Guinea. You may hear it when a hotel receptionist greets an Iranian guest in Helsinki; when a German professor talks to a Japanese graduate student in Amsterdam; or when a Korean scientist lectures to Hungarian and Nigerian colleagues at a conference in Bangkok.

② A language so widely distributed naturally has many varieties. These are known as **dialects**. That word doesn't apply just to rural or uneducated forms of speech; the way we use it here, everyone speaks a dialect. And naturally, this book doesn't try to describe all the different dialects of English there are. It concentrates on one central dialect that is particular important: the one we call **Standard English**.

③ We can't give a brief definition of Standard English; ... But we can make a few remarks about its special status.

④ The many varieties of English spoken around the world differ mainly in **pronunciation** (or 'accent'), and to a lesser extent in **vocabulary**, and those aspects of language ... do tend to give indications of the speakers' geographical and social links. But things are very different with **grammar**, which deals with the form of sentences and smaller units: clauses, phrases and words. The grammar of Standard English is much more stable and uniform than its pronunciation or word stock: there is remarkably little dispute about what is **grammatical** (in compliance with the rules of grammar) and what isn't.

⑤ Of course, the small number of controversial points that there are --- trouble spots like *who* versus *whom* --- get all the public discussion in language columns and letters to the editor, so it may seem as if there is much turmoil; but the passion evinced over such problematic points should not obscure the fact that for the vast majority of questions about what's allowed in Standard English, the answers are clear.

(Huddleston, R. & Pullum, G. K. A Student's Introduction to English Grammar. Cambridge University Press, 2005, p.1-2. (一部編集))

問 1. 第 1 段落（①）の内容に基づき、現代世界における英語の使用状況を説明してください。

問 2. 第 2 段落（②）の内容に基づき、この英文法書での'dialect'という用語の用い方を説明してください。

問 3. 第 4・5 段落（④⑤）の中で、世界の様々な地域で用いられる英語の発音、語彙、そして文法について、どのようなことが述べられていますか？