

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 1010**

Hi, everyone! Welcome to PR Junior.

Today I am going to talk about trains. Let's get started.

Some people live far from their workplace. Because of this, they have to stand on crowded trains for a long time. Now, some train companies offer special trains with seats for all passengers, and by doing so they try to make their passengers more comfortable. These trains are becoming more popular.

That's all for today. See you next time!

**Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 1010**

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Take a listen to an article about home education. Let's begin.

Perhaps when many people speak of education, they think only of homework and classroom exercises. However, true education is much more likely to occur outside the school program than within it. In ordinary family situations the child learns his or her basic skills, attitudes, and values. These range from basic skills involved in eating, dressing, walking, and talking to morals, attitudes, sharing with others, love for one's fellow humans, and respect for laws. There are a lot of things parents can do for their children. Parents can wisely and thoughtfully widen their children's experiences with new places, new friends, and new events. They can also read to their children from books to introduce the wonderful world of literature.

That's all for today. Bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 1010

Hey, guys! Welcome back to PR2.

Today, you are going to listen to a story about the Internet.

Computers are everywhere now and most ~~of the~~ people cannot think of life without them in their daily lives. Perhaps one of the most significant things that computers have made possible is the Internet. Early on, the concept of the Internet was so strange that it took years before people accepted [it] as a marvelous invention. When people began asking each other, "Are you connected?" a lot of them did not understand the question. Now a person would have to be living in a completely remote area not to know what the question means.

There are a lot of things we can do on the Internet, People can study, shop, sell, play games, make friends, invest, find a job, make a reservation, and do research on the Internet. We have an unimaginable amount of information at our fingertips. [However,] there are a few negatives related to this magnificent modern tool. One is the difficulty of learning how to search effectively. It can be extremely frustrating to do a [search] and be faced with thousands of sites, most of which have little or nothing to do with what a person is looking for. Another is unwanted advertisement.

That is all for today, bye-bye!