

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 1075

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Today we will be talking about Kate and her love for baking.

Kate loves to bake. When she is in the kitchen, mixing flour and sugar, she feels happy. Baking lets her be creative, as she can try out new recipes and make delicious treats. Kate loves to bake strawberry shortcake. Whether it's a cake or cookies, each one shows her love and personality. Kate enjoys sharing her baked goods with her friends and family. For Kate, baking is not just about making food; it's about expressing herself and making others happy.

That's it for today. See you next time.

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 1075

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, I will introduce you to the brief history of pearl hunting in Asia, particularly in Arab states of the Persian Gulf. Let's begin.

For hundreds of years, the most expensive and precious pearls in the world were found in the Persian Gulf. In the early 1900s, the land in this area was very dry and farming was extremely difficult. People of the region used to trade pearls in exchange for food, water and other products. In the mid-1900s, India's economy began to expand. As most pearl buyers came from India, the demand for pearls began to grow. Many Persian families settled permanently in the coastal villages of the Gulf in order to take advantage of the booming Pearl market.

That's it for today! See you!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 1075

Hi there! Welcome back to PR2.

Did you hear about the heavy rainfall in the UAE last month? Let's find out what happened together.

A significant storm struck in the United Arab Emirates – or UAE – and Oman, unleashing heavy rainfall that resulted in flooding, road closures, and residents being stranded in their homes. In the UAE, one person lost their life, and government institutions and schools were forced to shut down for several days.

Following the storm, questions arose regarding whether cloud seeding, a process often employed by the UAE to induce rainfall, played a role in the extreme weather. However, the UAE's meteorological authority clarified that no cloud seeding operations were conducted before the storm hit.

Experts attribute the intensified storm to a combination of a normal weather system and the exacerbating effects of climate change. The warmer atmosphere, caused by global warming, can hold more moisture, leading to heavier rainfall during storms. Climate scientists warn that such extreme weather events are becoming more frequent worldwide due to human activity.

While cloud seeding can enhance rainfall, it requires existing moisture in the atmosphere to be effective. Therefore, cloud seeding alone cannot create rain from nothing. The warming climate contributes to the likelihood of more intense rainfall events like the recent storm in the UAE and Oman.

That's all for today's video. See you!