

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 194

Hello, everyone! Welcome to PR Junior.
Today, I will read this book: “*What’s this?*”

What’s this?

I know! It is a cave. It’s a dark huge cave.

A cave? No way!

It is a road. It’s a wide, bumpy road.

A road? No way!

It is a bridge. It’s a long, wooden bridge.

A bridge? No way!

Ok, I will stop there. I hope you enjoyed. I’ll see you guys next time. Bye!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 194

Hi! Welcome to PR1!

We’ve been reading one of my favorite stories, “Momotaro”. So, let me read the next part of it.

The old man made a fire and heated some water. When he filled the tub, his wife reached for the baby.

But the baby pushed her away and climbed into the hot water all by himself.

“Such power!” the old couple laughed and looked at each other.

“What shall we name him?” the old woman said.

“Well, he was born from a peach,” said the old man. “So let’s call him Momotaro.”

Now you know the name of the baby boy.

I’ll see you next time. Bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2, 上級) No. 194

Hello, everyone. How are you doing?

I hope you are having an exciting and productive day.

Let's continue reading about apes from the Tokyo Medical and Dental University entrance exam. Are you ready?

Catherine Hobaiter of Saint Andrews University in Scotland, who studies chimpanzees in Uganda, described the reaction of zoo animals that had been raised in indoor enclosures when the zoo finally added an outdoor annex to the exhibit.

"It was heartbreaking to see," she said. "The gentlest specks of rain, and the gorillas were drumming on the door to get back inside. They were afraid of getting wet."

Yet while primatologists concur that people have a moral obligation to care for the thousands of apes who are now in captivity and may live 60 years or longer, they differ on what that care should look like. Barbara Smuts, a renowned primatologist at the University of Michigan, recently distributed a petition asking that the other gorillas at the Cincinnati Zoo be relocated to a sanctuary far from the ogling, screeching crowds of their clothed relations.

What do you think is the solution?

Take care, and I'll see you next time. Bye!