

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 213

Hey, everyone! Let's see what happens next in *The Story of the Three Little Pigs*.

Soon, a mean wolf came along. He knocked on the pig's door.

"Little pig, little pig, let me come in," he said.

"Not by the hair of my chinny-chin-chin!" said the pig.

"Then I'll blow your house down!" said the wolf.

The wolf blew and blew and the house fell down. He ate the little pig up.

Oh, dear! Let's see what happens next time. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 213

Hey, guys! How's it going?

So last time in our space adventure, three Jedi knights, including Master Yoda, fought against the evil Count Dooku, who got away again! The war against the Separatists is just beginning.

The Republic has won the first battle, but the Separatists are far from defeated. Anakin and Padme are married in a secret ceremony on Naboo. Anakin knows that love is forbidden for Jedi, but he cannot deny the powerful force inside his heart.

Aww... well I am sure these two will live a long, happy, good and peaceful life together and nothing awful or tragic will happen to either of them...

Well, that's the end of the second part of our space adventure, so join me soon for part three!

Bye, guys!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 213

Hello, everyone! How are you doing today?

Hope you're all staying safe during this pandemic. Today, I'll be reading a text from the English exam of the 2016 ICU entrance exams. The text is about organ transplants and how studying the biology of the Alaskan wood frog may revolutionize the process. Let's begin.

It has been nearly 50 years since the first human heart was successfully transplanted. In today's world, more than 100,000 organs are transplanted annually. With this many organs being gathered and used, one might assume that humanity has overcome death due to organ failure. Yet demand is high, far exceeding the number of actual organs available. As a result, every year, thousands of people die while waiting for an organ. Despite advances in medical technology, one basic challenge still remains – keeping viable organs cold enough to survive the journey from donor to recipient. Most organs can be preserved for only a few hours. The solution to this problem, however strange it may seem, could be found hopping across the Arctic wilderness at this very moment. The animal that might hold the key to transforming organ transplantation is the Alaskan wood frog.

That sounds pretty interesting. Let's read about it more next time. Bye-bye!