Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 216

Hello, everyone!

Welcome to PR Junior! Today, I will read Monsters University. Okay, let's start!

Monsters University is a school for monsters. In the scaring program, students learn to scare humans. The students must be very scary. Mike is a student. Sully is a student, too. He looks scary. He does not study. Mike does not look scary. He studies. Mike and Sully do not like each other.

Okay, and that's the end of the video. I will see you guys in the next video!

Take care! Bye!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 216

Hey, guys! How's it going?

So last time, our heroes Obi-Wan and Anakin managed to rescue Chancellor Palpatine and finally defeat the Separatist leader Count Dooku. But can they get home safely? Let's find out:

Before the Jedi are able to complete their rescue mission, General Grievous and his bodyguard droids appear. Obi-Wan and Anakin fight bravely, but their battle is interrupted when the battleship starts to break apart. Grievous flees in an escape pod.

Ah, yes, General Grievous – an elusive yet powerful enemy. Taking him down would be a big step towards victory for the Republic. But can they do it? I guess we'll just have to wait and see!

Bye, guys!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 216

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

Now, I want to try and keep things a little lighter today after the relatively serious and ominous news stories I've been reading recently, and so here's another fairly positive piece of news coming out of the animal kingdom. Take a listen to this:

The critically endangered Siamese crocodile has been spotted for only the second time in a decade at Thailand's largest national park, according to photos released on January 23rd. The freshwater reptile – snapped by camera traps sunning itself at Kaeng Krachan National Park near the Thai border with Myanmar – was once ubiquitous* across Southeast Asia, but its numbers have plummeted in the region. It is currently listed as critically endangered on the International Union for Conservation of Nature's "Red List". National park officials estimate only about 20 remain in the wild because of hunting and habitat loss.

Oh dear, only twenty! That's an alarmingly low number, but hopefully this recent sighting is a sign that the species' numbers are increasing. After all, it's not fair that an animal should disappear from the earth because of humans' greed.

Alright, guys, well until next time – and as always – study hard, stay safe, and I'll see you soon.

* Correct pronunciation = /juːˈbɪkwɪtəs/