Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 220

Hi, everyone!

Welcome to PR Junior! Today is part five of *Monsters University*.

Mike will scare a human. He wants to prove he is scary. Mike goes into the human world. He finds a cabin. It is full of kids. They are not scared of Mike. Mike is scared of them! Sully finds Mike. They need a big scream to get home. Sully is scary. Mike is smart. They need each other. Sully and Mike work together.

Okay, that's it for today! See you guys in the next video. Bye!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 220

Hello, everyone! I hope you're all staying safe and sound during this pandemic. Today, I'll be reading a text using Eiken level 3 vocabulary. Let's begin.

A lot of people are afraid of the dentist. They think that dentists are scary. Sara was such a person. One day, she ate many sweets so she got a toothache. The tooth hurt so much that she only drank warm milk that night. Sara's mother noticed the pain, so she took Sara to the clinic the next day. Sara was upset all the way to the clinic. When they arrived, the dentist cleaned her teeth and made the pain go away. The dentist was very handsome. Now, Sara likes going to the dentist.

Do you like going to the dentist? Because I sure don't. Well, that's all for today. Thank you for listening and I hope I'll see you next time. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 220

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

I have some more science news for you here that is again related to the study of animals, but this time in a rather different setting. Take a listen to this:

German researchers have enabled mice paralyzed after spinal cord injuries to walk again, re-establishing a neuro link hitherto considered to be irreparable in mammals by using a designer protein injected into the brain.

Spinal cord injuries in humans, often caused by sports or traffic accidents, leave them paralyzed because not all of the nerve fibers that carry information between muscles and the brain are able to grow back.

But the researchers from Ruhr University Bochum managed to stimulate the paralyzed mice's nerve cells to regenerate using a designer protein. The paralyzed rodents that received the treatment started walking after two or three weeks, the researchers said.

Huh, well that's quite promising, isn't it? I've heard and seen many stories of partially paralyzed people slowly learning to walk again through intensive physical therapy and relentless determination, but for some people, even that sadly isn't enough to cure their paralysis. And so, it looks like this research could potentially lead to changing a lot of people's lives! Let's hope so.

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