Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 221

Hi, guys! How are you? Welcome to PR Junior! Let's continue Marley's adventure.

Ema and Baby Luke wanted to play. Ema jumped out of bed. But Baby Luke couldn't get out of his crib. Marley stared at the crib. "I'll get you out of that cage!" he thought.

Okay, that's all for today. Next time, we will see how Marley tries to help Baby Luke. Bye!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 221

Hey, guys! How's it going?

So last time, we learned that Anakin has been having scary visions about Padme's future – visions that he think[s] will come true and mean that he has to find a way to save her. But for now, he still has a war to fight. Let's continue...

Meanwhile, the war is escalating throughout the galaxy. Jedi master Yoda speeds to the planet Kashyyyk to help the Wookies battle the Separatist droid army. He fights alongside a Wookie named Chewbacca.

Oh, I know that name! So, it seems that Luke Skywalker wasn't the first Jedi that Chewbacca met.

Alright, guys, join me next time! See you.

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 221

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 this time is relating to one of if not the biggest problems that humanity faces today: climate change. Take a listen to this:

Forests and other land ecosystems today absorb 30% of humanity's CO2 pollution, but rapid global warming could transform these natural "sinks" into carbon "sources" within a few decades, opening another daunting front in the fight against climate change. A new study shows that beyond a certain temperature threshold – which varies according to region and species – the capacity of plants to absorb CO2 declines. Under current emission trends, plants across half the globe's terrestrial ecosystem could start to release carbon into the atmosphere faster than they sequester it by the end of the century, researchers reported in the January 13th issue of *Science Advances*.

Oh, dear. I think one of the biggest problems that a lot of people have been aware of for a long time is that there aren't enough trees in the world to absorb all the CO2 in the atmosphere. But it seems like that problem if shifting towards those trees', no matter how many they are, not being able to absorb that CO2 fast enough. Hmm, definitely a big issue. So, I guess while the companies and the scientists are trying their best to figure it out, all we can do is try our best to cut down on our own carbon emissions. Alright, guys, well until next time – and as always – study hard, stay safe, and I'll see you soon.