

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 233**

Hi, guys!

Remember last time, Marley made a big mess at the bakery. Let's see what happens now.

Marley gently set a cookie at the baker's feet. The baker scrunched Marley's ears.

'You didn't mean to make a mess,' he said kindly.

Just then, Marley's family ran by. They looked all over for Marley.

'Look at that mess,' said mommy.

Well guys, I think his family will find him soon! See you.

**Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 233**

Hello, everyone! How are you doing?

I hope you're all staying safe and sound during this pandemic. Today, I have a short text about a female athlete. Let's see if you recognize her.

Martina Hingis was the youngest top women's tennis player in the world during the 1990s. She was born on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 1980. Her mother was her coach. At the age of 16, she became the number one player. This lasted 209 weeks. Hingis won five Grand Slam tournaments. She stopped playing in 2003 because she hurt her feet. A few years later, she started playing again. In 2006, Ai Sugiyama beat her at Wimbledon but in 2007, she won the Toray Pan Pacific Open Tennis Tournament for the fifth time. Later, she retired again.

So, do you recognize Martina Hingis? Have you ever seen her on TV before?

Well, that's all for today, and I hope I'll see you next time. Bye-bye!

**Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 233**

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

I have a relatively wholesome news story for you here that itself comes out of a rather dire situation and so is another good example of how people often come together and do good things in the harshest of times. Take a listen:

Residents of South Padre Island in south Texas, some of whom lack heat or basic amenities in their own homes due to the unusually chilly weather, have been rescuing cold stunned sea turtles and taking them to a convention center in the resort town.

"Every 15 minutes or less there's another truck or SUV that pulls up," Ed Caum, executive director of the South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau, said February 17<sup>th</sup>. The convention center started pitching in February 15th when its neighbors, Sea Turtle Incorporated, could no longer handle the number of sea turtles being dropped off, and their mostly outdoor operation had lost power.

Huh! Well it's nice of those people to try to save the lives of all those sea turtles. I really hope most of them make it, and I hope that all those Texas residents who are suffering due to the unusually adverse weather can soon get their power back or whatever else it is they need.

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