Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 253

Hello, everyone! How are you doing?

Today, I have the last part of the story about Jen and her dog, Max. Let's see if they were able to get back home.

'We want to go home now, but can we come back again?' said Jen.

'Sure, anytime,' said the Giant.

Jen and Max made a wish. They opened the door and stepped in. There they were in their own bedroom.

'What a crazy day,' said Jen.

'But it was a lot of fun,' thought Max.

Well, that's the end of this story. I'll see you next time. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 253

Hey, guys! How's it going?

So last time, the mighty Master Yoda faced down the evil emperor, but even he couldn't stop him. It looks like things are finally over for our heroes and the Jedi order itself.

Padme gives birth to two babies, a boy and a girl. Before perishing with a broken heart, she names them Luke and Leia. A senator named Organa agrees to take Leia to Alderaan. He and his wife will raise the girl as their own.

Oh! So that's how Leia came to be the princess of Alderaan, a lovely and peaceful planet with a lovely and peaceful future...

Join me next time, guys. See you!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 253

Hello, everyone! How are you doing?

I hope you're all staying safe and sound during this pandemic.

Today, I have the last part of the text about the roles of petroleum in our lives. Let's take a listen.

Because petroleum is so central to American's daily lives, the energy industry has long considered environmentalists' goals of reducing petroleum consumption to be unrealistic. What is more, projections by the US Energy Information Administration anticipate further increases in petroleum use – not just in the United States, but worldwide, as developing countries aspire to a higher standard of living. However, some analysts, such as Kevin Knobloch, president of the Union of Concerned Scientists, believe that it is possible to enjoy modern standards of living without overreliance on oil. Since transportation accounts for 70% of US petroleum use, the key is a decrease in the amount of petroleum needed to transport people and goods. Knobloch says that a major switch to fuel-efficient, hybrid, or alternative-fuel vehicles 'would cut US oil consumption significantly'.

Well, it sounds like as long as everyone is willing to make the switch, then the oil problem could be solved. That's all for today and I'll see you next time. Bye-bye!