Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 263

Hello, everyone! How are you doing?
Last time, Jen wished to see her grandma and grandpa again. Let's find out what happens next.

Jen, Tim the cat, and the giant were walking in the woods. They saw a nice little house with a red chimney. There was a young couple living there. The man was working on the farm and the woman was holding a baby.

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

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Hello, everyone! How are you doing?
Today, I am going to tell you about my likes and dislikes. Let's begin.

I like many kinds of food. In fact, it's difficult for me to say what my favorite kind of food is. I like most kinds of Japanese food and Western food. However, I don't like sweet foods very much. I like foods that are salty or spicy. I also have a good appetite. I can eat a lot of food at one time and there are no foods which I cannot eat.
What about you? What foods do you like and dislike?

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Hello, everyone! How are you doing?

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

Today, I have text about older people and the internet. Let's begin:

When Ivy Bean died at the age of 104 in 2010, many people, not only in the UK, but also around the world, mourned her passing. This was because she had become famous when, at the age of 102, she became the oldest known person to join both Facebook and Twitter. Her warm and outgoing personality soon won her many fans, but her fame also threw the spotlight on another issue: the number of older people in Britain who do not use the Internet at all. Polls show that presently, although two-thirds of all adults in the UK surf the internet every day, some 4.5 million people over the age of 65 have never logged on to a computer.

Now, Age UK, a leading charity that helps old people, has launched a campaign to boost Internet use among older people. Of course, one problem is not all people have a computer at their disposal. After retirement, when most people are living on a small pension, it is difficult to afford one. As they age, though, many people lose their mobility and get stranded in their own homes. For such people, access to the internet helps them avoid loneliness and engage with society. In an attempt to help these people, Age UK is offering introductory classes in computer literacy taught by instructors for free. It is also asking various companies to provide desktop computers for old people at no charge.

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