

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 267**

Hello, everyone! How are you doing?

Today, I have the next part of the story about Jen meeting her grandparents. Let's begin.

After baby Sara fell asleep, the giant said, "It's time to go home."

Jen was very sad to say goodbye to John and Mary. She hugged and kissed them goodbye.

"Come and see us again," they said.

"We will," said Jen and Tim the cat.

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

**Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 267**

Hello, everyone! How are you doing?

I hope you're all staying safe and sound during this pandemic. Today, I have a text about a very famous comic author. Let's see if you recognize him.

Stan Lee [was] a famous American writer and producer. He was born in 1922 and he is famous for writing stories for many comics. He started as an assistant for Timely Comics. It became Marvel Comics later. He created many interesting characters. Some of his characters are popular among teenagers all over the world now. There have been many movies based on his characters. Stan Lee is an actor, too. He is in nearly all of the Marvel Comic movies.

Have you ever seen Stan Lee in a Marvel movie?

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

## Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 267

Hello, everyone! How are you doing?

Let's begin today's PR2:

The advantage of the new hand is that it allows the user to manipulate objects in a much more subtle way. For example, it is possible to use the hand to pick up a wine glass delicately by its stem. Sensors in the hand send messages to a computer chip that controls the fingers. These sensors form an interface with the muscles in the remnant of the lost hand. Stiffening a muscle creates a stimulus that is read by the sensor, which then moves the fingers in response. As users become accustomed to operating the hand, they are able to synchronize the movements of the fingers, and to develop almost the same coordination as they would have with a natural hand.

Although the hand is costly, about 60 patients have been fitted so far. Eric Jones, for example, was deprived of his right hand some years ago. Recently, he flew from his home in New York to Florida. Even though he sat between two people, he was able to use the hand to pick up his coffee and to control his video monitor. This would have been impossible [before]. Another person to benefit is Robert J. Green, whose fingers and thumb were the casualty of an accident. He had the company attach the electronic fingers to the bones of his hand. Now, he can even use his new fingers to write with – in fact, he says that his handwriting has actually improved as a result.

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