Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 283

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Today, I have two friends talking about going swimming. Take a listen

Let's go swimming tomorrow afternoon.

Sorry, but I need to finish my math homework.

How about Sunday morning then?

That sounds good, let's meet at the station.

What time?

How about 10 o'clock?

Sure, I'll meet you then.

See you.

Bye.

Well that's all for today and we'll see you in class. Bye bye!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 283

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

So, even if you are a child, you should still do your fair share of housework. Take a listen to this conversation.

Sam, have you taken out the garbage yet?

No, grandma, I haven't, I totally forgot about it.

I've told you before that you have to do your share of housework, I'm not your maid. Your bedroom is a mess as well, you haven't kept your promise to be tidier.

I'm sorry, I was busy finishing my school project.

Well, I don't want to have to remind you again. You need to be tidier from now on, otherwise I will have to tell your father.

So, do you do your fair share of housework?

Well, that's all for today and we'll see you in class. Bye bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 283

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2.

Today, I have a text about the use of British English in America. Take a listen.

Over time, as the economic and cultural power of the United States has grown, more and more American phrases and idioms have entered British English. Many British people react to such Americanisms with annoyance. Remembering a time when the Queen's English was regarded as the yardstick for correct usage, they consider such Americanization a disastrous threat to the purity of their language. To such conservative people, American English remains a crude or even defective dialect, which should be avoided. Even using a term like 'movie' instead of 'film' can still set off angry complaints about the invasion of the language. Now, though, these people can console themselves with the fact that the influence is starting to go the other way. The biggest difference is that no one in the U.S. condemns this tendency as a calamity. British English still tends to sound educated and sophisticated to American ears. Far from endangering American English, the adoption of these expressions is seen as an enrichment of the language. Perhaps the British could learn something from this attitude.

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