

### Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 300

Hello, everyone! How are you doing?

Welcome back to PR Junior. Today, I have another question for you. Let's begin:

True or false: butterflies taste with their feet. Can that be true? What do you think?

Well, it's true! Butterflies use their feet to taste for food. They feed on the juice of fruit and flowers. Also, the rolled-up tube part is part of the butterfly's mouth. It works like a straw.

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

### Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 300

Hey, guys! How's it going?

Well, it's already June, which means that it's officially summer!

Many people in Tokyo won't be too happy about this, because it means that hot and humid weather is on the way. But, even though I also don't like feeling too hot or sweaty, I can't wait! I think the reason I like summer is because I associate it with holidays and free time in general – not to mention all those happy memories of picnics in the park, relaxing by the pool, and barbeques on warm summer evenings. So, I hope we get lots of sunny days this summer, and not so many humid but cloudy days.

But what about you? Are you looking forward to summer weather? Let me know, okay?

Alright, guys, see you next time!

## Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 300

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2.

Today, I have the second part of the text about Operation Fir Tree. Take a listen:

In fact, from long before the war, Switzerland foresaw the likelihood of Germany launching an offensive against their country. They appointed a general who set about beefing their army up so as to deter their potential foe from attempting to overpower them. Although the Nazis believed German-speaking Swiss would collaborate with them in the event of an invasion, the Swiss were in fact prepared to defy any intruders.

Switzerland's wealth and its geographical position in the center of Europe made it an attractive prize to the Germans. Nonetheless, Hitler still held back from giving the order to attack. To this day, historians are still not sure why. It is possible that his advisers emphasized to him just how useful a neutral Switzerland was. On the other hand, they may have become aware of the Swiss preparations. Whatever the truth, there is no doubt that the history of the Second World War, and thus the modern history of Europe, would have been very different if Operation Fir Tree had been implemented by the Germans.

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