

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 32

- Hana:** Tim! Do you have any brothers or sisters?
Tim: Yes, I have a sister.
Hana: Oh, what's her name?
Tim: Her name is Amelia.
Hana: That's a nice name! Is she older than you, or younger than you?
Tim: She is younger than me. She is 24 years old.
Hana: So, that means she's fifteen years younger than you?
Tim: [indistinct] Now, hold on a second!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 32

- Tim:** Hey, Hana, do you have any brothers or sister?
Hana: Yeah, I have an older brother. What about you?
Tim: I have a younger sister!
Hana: Aw, that's nice! What's her name?
Tim: She's called Amelia.
Hana: That's a nice name.
Tim: Do you want to see a picture of her?
Hana: Yeah, sure!
Hana: ...That's your sister?!
Tim: Yep.
Hana: Wow, she's so pretty!
Tim: Hmm, she's OK I guess.
Hana: Are you sure you guys are related to each other? You guys look nothing alike.
Tim: Hmm, we don't look so similar I guess.
Hana: No, but she's, like, so pretty. And you're, like, you know...
Tim: What? What are you trying to say?
Hana: Nothing. I was just a little surprised. There you go.

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 32

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Now, staying home and self-isolating can be a little frustrating and boring, and, for those who live alone, pretty lonely, too. And so now, more than ever, I've been thinking that I want to get a pet. And I found a pretty relevant piece of good news. So, listen to this:

Animal shelters across the United States are emptying out thanks to the coronavirus pandemic, as people confined to their homes are adopting or fostering animals in droves. "We've never seen anything like this," said Kitty Block, president and CEO of The Humane Society of the United States, which partners with some 400 shelters nationwide. "The fostering and adoptions have just been through the roof," she said. "Every shelter is reporting out the same thing. It's amazing to see how many lives have been saved." Dogs, cats, rabbits, guinea pigs, and even hens have found homes as people all over the country look for pets to help them cope with confinement.

Well, that's nice isn't it? I hope you're all taking good care of your pets. And if you're thinking about getting a new pet, definitely check out a shelter instead of a store.

OK, guys, stay safe and see you next time.