## Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 325

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Do you know about the game "musical chairs"? Take a listen:

Mary's Dad put six chairs in a circle. He played some music and six children danced around. The music stopped and the children all sat down on the chairs. Dad took away one chair. Then, there were only five chairs for six dancers. He played the music again. The children all danced around the circle.

Well, that is all for today. Bye-bye!

## Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 325

Hey everyone!

The Great Barrier Reef is the world's largest coral reef system of 2,500 reefs and islands. They stretch over about 248,000 square kilometers off the coast of Queensland, Australia. In 1981, the Great Barrier Reef became part of UNESCO's World Heritage, but now, the UN wants to change it. The UN report said that the corals are in danger because of climate change. The ocean temperature is getting higher, and it makes the corals bleach and die. The UN wants to put the Great Barrier Reef on the list of World Heritage in Danger. Now, Australia does not agree with the report. They said that the corals were colorful, and tourists liked them. If something changes, tourists may not come because they will not want to see dead corals.

Interesting, right?
Till next time, see you!

## Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 325

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

Now, I know many of you regular viewers will have a smartphone and probably some sort of data plan, but I'm not sure how many of you pay for that data plan yourself. If you do, then you'll know that data plans can be very expensive in Japan. With that in mind, I have a story here that's a little surprising and, to me, very misleading. Take a listen:

The monthly fee for 20 gigabytes of mobile phone data in Tokyo is the second-lowest among six major cities across the globe, a government survey showed May 25<sup>th</sup>, following sharp price cuts by Japanese wireless carriers under government pressure. The six cities were Tokyo, New York, London, Dusseldorf, Paris, and Seoul. The cost in Tokyo from a representative provider was 2,973 yen per month in the latest survey conducted in March, only higher than London's 2,166 yen. The German city had the highest fee – 8,325 yen. NTT Docomo Incorporated's discounted plan Ahamo launched in late March and was selected to represent Tokyo.

Huh. Well, first of all, six cities isn't exactly a comprehensive study. But secondly, I don't think this number of about 3,000 yen is representative at all. I and I think many other people pay way more than that for 20 gigabytes of data a month. But hey, if you know of any cheaper options, please do let me know!

Alright, guys, well, until next time – and as always – study hard, stay safe, and I'll see you soon.