

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 339

Hello, everyone! Welcome to PR Junior.

Today, I want to talk about my friend Lucy's dream.

She wants to be a nurse in the future. There are two reasons. First, she likes to help people.

She wants to make people happy when she becomes a nurse. Second, she respects her mother, Sarah. Sarah is also a nurse. She is a kind person and Lucy wants to be like her mother.

Do you have any dreams?

That's all for today. Bye!

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Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, I'm going to tell you about the history of the Olympic Games. Let's begin:

The Olympic Games are the world's oldest multi-sporting event. They started in 776 B.C. in a place called Olympia in Greece. The games stopped in A.D. 393, but started again in 1896. According to stories, King Iphitos of Elis in Greece started the games as a way to stop the fighting among Greek kingdoms. Instead of fighting, the warriors competed in sporting events. There were about twenty events and only Greek men could join. It cost a lot of money to train for, and travel to the games. Winners received a crown of olive leaves and often had poems written or statues made in their honor.

That is all for today. See you next time! Bye-bye!

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Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

Now, before the Olympics started, there was another international sports competition that I was personally a little bit more invested in – the Euros. Did any of you watch the final? Let's read about it now.

Italy inflicted heartbreak on England to win the European Championship for the first time since 1968 as Donnarumma saved two penalties en route to a 3-2 shootout win after the teams had fought out a one-all extra-time draw at a raucous Wembley Stadium in London on July 11th. "The guys were extraordinary," Italy coach Roberto Mancini told Sky TV. "I don't have words for them. This is a magnificent group." It was the first final to be decided on penalties since Czechoslovakia beat West Germany in 1976.

Yes, the Italian team were definitely brilliant this tournament. But the same could be said for England! I think they played better than ever and they reached the final of a major tournament for the first time since 1966! But not only did this England squad achieve something that hasn't been done in 55 years, they've also shown excellent character off the pitch, with their very vocal support of equality, inclusion, and fairness. I think they've set a very good example and, unlike the behavior of the England fans, they've made me proud.

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