

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 357**

Hello there! This is PR Junior.

I will visit my friend in Canada this summer. I sent an email to her. Listen to this:

Hello! I'm coming to your country on vacation with my family. We are really looking forward to it! So, how's the weather there at this time of year? What clothes should we bring?

We also plan to visit you and your family. Is that okay? If so, would you like us to bring anything from Japan? Thanks for your help and hope to see you soon.

I'll see you in the next one. Bye!

**Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 357**

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, I have a story called *The Friendly Ghost*. Let's begin.

A nice woman lived by a large river. She loved children. She wanted to help them in any way. She loved her community, and everyone in the community loved her. She lived a very long time and became very wise.

When she died, she became a ghost. She wanted to help children and not to cause them fright. But she had a scary voice. Children were afraid of her, but the ghost was a good one. She only scared them to help them.

Well, that's all for today and come back next time for part two. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 357

Hello, everyone! Welcome to PR2.

Today, we will be taking a look at the dilemma of refugee resettlement. Let's begin.

The world now faces an unprecedented refugee crisis with over 20 million refugees, a growing surge that will likely keep increasing. Yet residents of the developed countries in the northern hemisphere are largely ignoring this crisis, except for those who fear an incoming flood of dependent refugees with differing values. Experts warn that the citizens of wealthy countries need to be aware of the plight of refugees.

Of equal concern is the resettlement of the refugees. In 2015, for instance, Lebanon took in many asylum seekers, more than all of the European Union, where the total number of refugees taken in were over one and a quarter million. As a result, the wealthy countries that hold a massive 57 percent of the world's GDP only have less than 9 percent of the world's refugees. The fact is that 86 percent of refugees end up in developing countries. Clearly, there is a major imbalance.

Few world leaders directly address the difficulties that the refugee problem creates. Though they are aware of the magnitude of the problem and the suffering refugees face they have to balance the severe requirements of refugees with their own domestic political agendas and the concerns of their own citizens. In addition, they face the obstacles of coming to an equitable consensus with other world leaders, leaving the global issue of refugee resettlement unresolved for the foreseeable future.

All right, that is it for today. Thank you very much for watching, and see you next time.  
Bye!