

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 367

Hey, guys!

Today I am going to talk about my day at the playground. Have a listen:

We are going to the playground. First, I swing on the swings. Then, I take two turns at the slide. We climb on the new climbing wall. My friends and I play hide and seek. We build a sandcastle in the sandbox. I drink water from the water fountain. Then, it's time to go home.

That's all for today. See you!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 367

Hey, guys! How's it going?

As some of you may know, I really like taking pictures. It's probably the thing I spend most of my time doing outside of work. I think I talked a little bit about my photography in a previous dictation video, but seeing as I have my camera here with me today, I thought I would talk a little bit more about it. I'm still interested in shooting urban scenery, but recently, I have mainly been focusing on capturing daily life in Tokyo. So, instead of pictures of buildings or passing cars, I've been taking pictures of people walking the streets or waiting for trains on the platform. I think those kinds of pictures can help tell a story.

What about you guys? Do any of you enjoy taking pictures? Let me know, okay?

Alright, guys, see you next time!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 367

Hello, everyone. Welcome back to PR2.

Today we will be taking a look at an American “Founding Mother.” Do you have any idea what it’s going to be about? Well, let’s take a look.

Most Americans do not know the name Mary Katherine Goddard, and yet her name appears at the bottom of the Declaration of Independence – at least on the second printed edition, in which all signatories were included. Thomas Jefferson, an American rebel fighting against the British, elegantly wrote the first draft by hand, but neither American colonist nor British officials saw this first, unsigned version. The draft was hastily printed by Irish immigrant John Dunlap, who made 200 copies on July 4, 1776, complete with numerous errors and listing only the names of John Hancock, a prominent figure in the rebellion, and secretary Charles Thomson. The other founding fathers left their names off the declaration since signing such a document was considered treasonous by the British Empire and could be punished by death.

All right, that would be part one of “An American Founding Mother.” And as always, we will be working on the remaining part in the next video. So, don’t forget to come back for the next part.

Thank you very much for coming today, and see you next time. Bye!