

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 376

Hey guys! Today, I have a story about the long eared puppy. Have a listen.

There was a little boy who just celebrated his birthday. His parents bought him a puppy as a birthday present. The puppy had very long ears. One evening he was playing with his puppy. The puppy was happily jumping about and wagging his tail. Then the little boy tried to tie the puppy's ears into a knot. The puppy stopped wagging his tail.

What do you think happen next? See you.

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Hey guys, how's it going?

In my last PR 1 dictation video, I talked about my favorite TV shows. I gave you some examples of my favorite comedy shows which is probably the genre that I watch the most but I also want to tell you about one of my other favorite TV shows, Game of Thrones. Game of Thrones was a very popular fantasy drama series that had a very intricate and intriguing storyline with many many interesting characters and the deep, rich history behind those characters and their relationships. I always looked forward to the next episode and I enjoyed guessing about where the story was going. But the ending of that show was very disappointing. All the characters and various story threads I had been excitedly following were mostly just ruined. It was a great shame. But hey, please tell me about some of your favorite TV shows.

Alright guys, see you next time.

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Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

Now, in multiple past dictation videos I've expressed my fairly strong views on Japan's use of – or attitude towards the use of – single-use plastics, in that plastic seems to be used far more excessively here than in other places. But it looks like some positive steps are finally being made, so take a listen to this:

Japan will oblige business operators to reduce the provision of 12 disposable plastic items such as spoon and straws from next April to promote recycling and tackle marine pollution, the government said August 23rd. The move is based on legislation that was enacted in June to cut down on plastic waste at restaurants and retail stores. Businesses can choose from among measures including charging for the items and switching to recyclable products. Targeted plastic items also include forks, knives, combs, toothbrushes, shower caps, and clothes hangers. Businesses that fail to meet the new requirement will be advised or ordered to improve their practices.

Huh! Well, that's all well and good, but it doesn't say anything about all that plastic that supermarkets and convenience stores use for their umbrella sheaths, or the fact that some places charge five times more for a paper bag than a plastic one. Hmm...

Well, let me know what you think about this issue, okay?

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