

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 383**

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Today, I will be reading you part two of the story, *The Play*. Let's begin.

The girl was Dorothy. There was a storm. The wind blew the house away. Dorothy met the Scarecrow. She met the Tin Man. She met the Lion. Dorothy met a witch.

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

**Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 383**

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR 1.

Today, I have the last part of the story how the sun and the moon were made. Let's begin.

When the culprit released it, his hand was black. The girl returned to the party. She knew there was only a single person with a black hand. When she saw that person, he was very familiar. It was her brother!

He ran into the woods. The girl ran after him. They both carried fire so they could see in the dark. The smoke went into the air. As they ran, they grew. They became huge. Then they went into space. When the girl's fire went out, she hung in the sky. She became the moon, and her brother became the sun. They chase each other forever.

Well, that's all for today and I'll see you in class. Bye, bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 383

Hello, everyone!

Hello, welcome back to PR2. Today's topic is about the aging population. There will be three parts, and this is part one. Let's begin.

The concept of retirement is a modern one. In the 1870s, the German statesman Bismarck introduced 65 as the age at which citizens could stop working and receive a pension. This was a humane initiative at a time when work usually meant heavy manual labor and life expectancy was much lower than it is now. The typical retirement age for men has been set at around 65 in most developed countries since the Second World War. Though women live longer, their retirement age has generally been set rather lower. But in recent years people have been retiring, unwillingly or willingly, much earlier-as young as 50 in some cases-mainly because many companies have been trying to reduce the size of their workforce. Some workers have thus been able to look forward to many years of retirement. This, however, is about to change. The reason is the aging of populations.

This is it for part one. See you in part two.