

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 443

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

This is part sixteen of the story about the fieldtrip. Let's begin!

Mrs. West took the boat to the other side of the island. "You can get out and explore," she said. "If you keep quiet, you will see all kinds of interesting sea birds."

The children jumped out of the boat and went to look around the island.

That is all for today. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 443

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, we will be discussing the cultural difference[s] between America and Japan. Let's begin!

Many Americans are surprised Japanese people do many things in groups. When Japanese people travel abroad, they travel in a group, in a big bus, and they are always together. In the Grand Canyon or at Niagara Falls, you can see a big group of Japanese people following a tour guide, holding a colourful flag. They take group pictures and leave in a short time. In Japanese companies, many workers go on company trips. They can't take their family on the trip and spend several days only with the members of their company. On this trip, they do sightseeing together in a group, too.

Okay, that is all for today. See you next time. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 443

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

I have another fairly light piece of news for you here that again doesn't pertain to any particularly crucial world issues, but is, I expect, still pretty important news to a lot of people. Take a listen to this:

Harry Potter stars Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, and Rupert Grint are reuniting with other cast members from the blockbuster film franchise for a special 20th anniversary TV retrospective, movie studio Warner Brothers said on November 23rd. But J.K. Rowling, the author of the *Harry Potter* books, will not be appearing on the show. Robbie Coltrane, who played Hagrid, Tom Felton, Gary Oldman, and other stars of the eight movies will join the former child actors for *Harry Potter 20th Anniversary: Return to Hogwarts* on the movie set in London where the first film was made. The special will be broadcast on January 1st on streaming platform HBO Max.

Ah, yeah, I can't believe it's already been twenty years since that first film was released! And about ten years since the last one was! I expect a lot of you will have seen some or maybe all of the *Harry Potter* films, but I feel like I grew up with them. I was the same age as both the main characters and their actors when that first film came out and so I'm pretty excited to see them all together again. Although, I don't know how I will see it, seeing as I'm not subscribed to this particular streaming platform... but I'll figure it out. Alright, guys, well, until next time – and as always – study hard, stay safe, and I'll see you soon.