

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 471

Hello, everyone. Welcome back to PR Junior.

This is part seven of the story about Daisy and Ted's day. Let's get started.

"What's Jamie doing?" said Ted.

Jamie was holding a little red berry. "Sweetie?" he said.

"No!" shouted Daisy, Ted, and Joey all together.

"You must never eat anything you find in the garden," said Joey. "It might be poisonous."

Jamie opened his mouth to show them that he hadn't eaten any berries.

That's it. See you next time. Bye-bye!

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Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, we are going to talk about tsunamis. Let's go!

What is a tsunami? A tsunami is a huge ocean wave that causes damage when it reaches the coast. Most tsunamis are caused by an earthquake under the ocean. The earthquake causes all the water above it to move suddenly, creating a very large wave that can travel up to 500 kilometers per hour. The wave is not really clearly seen out in the open ocean, but [becomes visible] as it moves toward land and [the] sea becomes shallower. This slows the wave down and pushes the water up higher and higher. As the water gets closer to the shore, it can get as high as 10 meters or more. The result can be catastrophic, as it crashes onto the coast and destroys everything in its path.

That is all for today! See you next time! Bye-bye!

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

A couple of weeks ago I did something that I'd been waiting to do for quite some time, which was to see a certain film at the cinema. And here I have an article about that film so take a listen to this:

Spider-Man: No Way Home unwrapped the best Christmas gift of all, becoming the first pandemic-era movie to cross one billion dollars at the global box office. Since its premiere on December 13th, Sony's comic-book epic has eclipsed the one billion dollar milestone in a near-record 12 days, tying with 2015's *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* as the third-fastest film to reach the billion-dollar benchmark. Only 2018's *Avengers: Infinity War* and 2019's *Avengers: Endgame* were quicker, smashing the coveted tally in 11 and five days, respectively. It's impressive that *Spider-Man: No Way Home* managed to blow past one billion dollars in ticket sales worldwide given the rapidly spreading omicron variant. No other Hollywood film has come close to nearing those box office revenues in the last two years.

Ah, yes, quite an achievement! These days, a lot of people are talking about the resurgence of cinema after fearing that big-screen culture and the theatre in general might suffer or die out completely due to the pandemic. So, this seems like good news, but, of course, we should all still be very careful indeed.

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