

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 479**

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Hi, Ivo! What do you like better, big cities or nature?

I like big cities more. There are a lot of people in big cities and you can try delicious foods.

Which do you like better?

I like nature better than big cities because the air is clean and I can relax. Which is your favourite city?

My favourite city is Tokyo!

That is all for today. See you next time!

**Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 479**

Hello, everyone! This is PR1. Let's start!

A Birthday Cake.

Hitomi is fifteen years old and in junior-high school. Every day after school, she goes to the elementary school to take her sister, Maki home. On May 5<sup>th</sup>, Maki said, "Today is my birthday! Can you buy me a cake?"

Hitomi didn't have any money so she said, "Let's make a cake together!"

Maki liked the idea.

Their parents came home from work at 8 o'clock. Their mother said, "What a beautiful cake!"

They had a present for Maki. It was a CD player. Their mother and father gave Hitomi and Maki some strawberries, too. The girls put them on the cake. Maki was happy.

That's all. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 479

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2.

Today I'm going to be reading a fascinating story about a house made of ice! Let's begin!

Last year, Edward constructed one of the world's largest houses in the glacial landscape of northern Sweden. He called it the Ice House: a house made entirely of ice and snow. All of the beds, chairs, tables, and walls are cold, hard sculptures of ice.

A group of architects and volunteers from all over the world traveled to the site of the Ice House and began its construction. The multicultural group journeyed through blizzards and frigid temperatures to reach the site. Once the builders arrived, there was an interchange of ideas, and tools were allocated to each other. An expert was selected to oversee the building process to make sure there was no discord between the workers. Once a plan was generated, they got right to work. The design was very unique; the builders couldn't replicate the design from normal houses.

I am very curious to find out about how exactly they were able to build a house made entirely of ice. Come back next time to hear all about it! See you then! Bye-bye!