Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 482

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

This is part eight of the story about Daisy and Ted's day. Let's begin.

It was nearly time for tea, so they all went indoors to wash their hands. Ted opened the stair gate and Daisy helped Jamie to climb the stairs. Joey made sure that the water was not too hot and they all washed their hands.

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

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 482

Hi! Welcome to PR1.

This is the final part of the article about supermarket.

Another study showed that after a person has been in a supermarket for thirty minutes, she or he spends 50 cents every minute. For example, if someone stays forty minutes, the supermarket has five dollars more. So the store has comfortable temperature in summer and winter, and it plays soft music. It is a pleasant place for people to stay and spend more money. Some stores have red or pink lights over the meat, so the meat looks redder. They put light green paper around lettuce and put apples in red plastic bags. So be careful in the supermarket. You may go home with a bag of food you were not planning to buy. The supermarket, not you, decided you should buy it.

See you!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 482

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

I have some medical news for you here, but it might not be the kind of medical news that you'd expect. Take a listen to this:

Good news for senior felines hoping to get a spring back in their step. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration on January 13th approved its first treatment to control pain associated with osteoarthritis in cats. The treatment is also the first monoclonal antibody drug approved for any animal species. Osteoarthritis occurs when the protective cartilage that cushions the ends of bones wears thin. Eventually, the bones and the joints rub against each other, causing pain and lessening joint movement. The condition is thought to affect 60 percent of cats aged six years and up, and 90 percent of cats older than 12.

Ah, yeah, well that's nice news, isn't it? I think you hear a lot about treatments for dogs, and the general wellbeing of dogs, and you hear stories of how owners would do anything for their dogs and how a dog's life is just like the life of any other family member – but you don't really hear the same things about cats, which is a shame because cats are awesome! I think one of my former cats had arthritis and so this story's quite nice to read. Alright, guys, well, until next time – and as always – study hard, stay safe, and I'll see you soon.