

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 497**

Hi! Welcome back to PR Junior. Let's see how six men helped the whale.

The four men put on diving suits and jumped into the water. Each man held a knife in his hand. A fifth man, the captain of the boat, stayed on the boat. The men began counting the fishing nets. The whale watched them. One man was near the whale's eye. He saw the whale wink, but the whale didn't move.

This is all for today! I'll see you later.

**Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 497**

Hello, everyone. Welcome back to PR1.

Today, I will be telling you the last part of the story, *The Frog Prince*. Let's begin.

Suddenly, the frog turned into a handsome man. He said, "I'm from a kingdom abroad. In my youth, I angered a tribe of mean witches, who turned me into a frog."

The princess asked him, "Can I be your bride and stay with you forever?"

But the prince said, "No. You disappointed me. You didn't keep your promise."

That is the end of the story. What do you think the lesson of this story is? If I were to answer, I would say that it's "Don't judge a book by its cover." All right, thank you very much for watching today, and see you next time. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 497

Hello, everyone! Welcome to PR 2.

Today, I will be talking about social media activism. Let's begin.

Proponents cite the propensity of social media to reach out to all individuals as the main factor for the success of social media activism. Social media allows everyone to know about social issues, whether they occur within one's country or across the globe. The international nature of social media also means that information of happenings around the world can transcend national boundaries and can be heard and watched by individuals across the world, perhaps even before traditional forms of media like television can pick up the story. Hearing about the plight or suffering of others incites a sense of compassion in people – even more so as stories of events on social media tend to be more authentic, first-hand accounts from laymen, unedited or uncensored by corporations or governments. An example is Canadian Shawn Ahmed who traveled to Bangladesh for altruistic purposes and used YouTube as his tool. When thousands of viewers saw his video on [a] Bangladeshi school that was devastated by a cyclone, many of them immediately sent help to help rebuild it. With viewers' donations, Ahmed was not only able to help rebuild the school, but also procure supplies for local fishermen, provide financial assistance to single mothers, and also build a well for the village. It can, therefore, be seen that the power of social media can move many people and incentivize them to help out for a certain cause.

This is it for today. See you!