

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 510

Hello! Welcome back to PR junior!
This is part six of the birthday story.

“Turn the music up!” called Grandma. “It’s too quiet here”.
She grabbed Uncle Peter’s hand. “Come on, Pete. Let’s dance!”
Grandma danced like a wild thing. Her dress flew out as she kicked up her heels, and waved her arms. When Uncle Peter got tired, she danced with Uncle Jack, and all our other uncles and aunts, too.

Alright. This is it for today. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 510

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.
Today, I will tell you a story called *A Beautiful Bird*. Let’s begin.

Doctor Norton’s job was a researcher of biology. He learned about all animals every day. One day he met a sailor from a foreign country. The man told Dr. Norton about a talking bird. The bird fascinated Dr. Norton, so he told his fellow researchers about it. They debated with him. No one thought a bird could talk. He tried to persuade them, but they laughed at him. However, Dr. Norton believed the bird was real. His new mission was to find it. He wanted proof.

So, that would be it for today, and we will continue in the next video. Thank you for watching, and see you next time. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 510

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2.

This is the second part of the dialogue about soccer.

Hmm, interesting. So, there's probably a surprising amount of support for the Mexican national team in the United States.

That's right. It is not just at the international level that we see these interesting teams playing elsewhere. Local teams, too, have worldwide fan clubs. Television and the Internet, and, of course, worldwide advertising have made local soccer a global phenomenon.

Can you give me an example?

Well, OK. The example that Allison Stanley gives is the Italian team AC Verona. She explains that in the 2002 season, Verona usually had four or five players on the field who were not Italian. These players attracted a lot of interest in their home countries and regions. So even though Verona were an Italian team, playing in the Italian national championships, they have people watching their games in Algeria, Argentina, Brazil, Ghana...

Ah. And then in 2003, AC Verona bought the German Captain Franz Schmidt?

And even more to the point, Giulia, a German player. Up until then, all of Verona's international players had been from the south. The team really hadn't been able to attract much attention from soccer fans in the north. But suddenly, a huge new market opened up for the club not only in Germany, but all over northern Europe.

Amazing! And I thought they bought him because he scored goals!

That is all for today! Bye-bye!