

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 516

Hello, everyone!

Today, I will be talking about Sam's music lesson. This is part ten of the story. Let's start.

"You were the star!" said Sam's mom.

"We are very proud of you," said Sam's dad.

"Sam was the cat's meow!" said Mrs. Wendy.

Sam was happy.

"Guess what," said Sam. "I didn't forget to sing flat. I forgot to be shy."

Mom and Dad hugged Sam. "We love our cat who sings flat."

That is it for today. See you!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 516

Hi there! Welcome back to PR1.

Do you know a very easy way to lose weight?

No, can you tell me?

Researchers say that using smaller plates, knives, forks, glasses, et cetera could reduce the amount of food we eat. Many of us use size of plate as a guide to how much we can eat; if we use a large plate, we fill the plate with food. This means we eat too much. Cambridge University in the UK says smaller plates could reduce the amount of food we eat. British people could cut their calories by up to 16 percent, while Americans could see a reduction of up to 29 percent.

I see! I will buy plates for birds then.

Wow! You're a genius!

That's all for today, and I will see you next time. Bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 516

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2!

Today, we are going to talk about a truck driver who decided to take a shortcut. Let's begin!

A truck driver was driving cargo from the outback to the coast. His load was comprised of many types of ore. He needed a huge truck to carry its bulk to a ship waiting at a pier on the country's eastern coast. At the border between two countries, he'd have to pay a tariff on the cargo. However, he could keep his money if he avoided the station at the border. He worried about getting in trouble for not paying the tariff, but the thought of extra money outweighed this concern.

He took out his road map. To his surprise, it depicted a small road that had a dual advantage. It not only avoided the border station but also was a shorter route to the coast. He decided to take the shortcut.

However, along his journey, he soon ran into problems. First, he had to cross a small wooden bridge. His truck weighed too much for the bridge. It was analogous to an elephant trying to stand on a tree branch.

Come back next time to find out what other problems the truck driver ran into! For now, that is all for today. See you!