

### Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 554

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

This is part three of the story about the undersea adventure. Let's begin.

The submarine had big windows and it had headlights. Joe put the headlights on.

"It's brilliant," said Bruno.

Linda looked at the magic key. Suddenly it began to glow. It was time for a new adventure.

"I wonder where the key will take us," said Joe.

What do you think happened to them? Let's find out next time. Bye!

### Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 554

Hi! Welcome back to PR 1.

This is the next part of the article about chocolate.

In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, there was another big change: people learned how to make chocolate bars. People began to eat chocolate. Since then, chocolate bars have become popular. Now, people can enjoy chocolate without a cup and hot water. And also, people can keep it for a long time. Today, eating has become the main way to enjoy chocolate.

Do you like to eat chocolate? Chocolate is one of the world's most popular foods. Nowadays, people from all over the world eat chocolate. People spend over ten billion dollars on it every year. In the United States, people eat over 1.4 billion pounds of chocolate every year.

That is a lot of chocolate!

This is all for today. See you later!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 554

Hello! Welcome back to PR2!

Today's movie is the second part of the text about how English became such a popular language. Let's get started!

English has a few rivals, but no equals. Neither Spanish nor Arabic, both international languages, has the same influence in the world. The remarkable story of how English spread within predominantly English-speaking societies like the United States, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand is not unique. It is a process in language that is as old as Greek or Chinese. The truly significant advancement, which has occurred only in the last one hundred years or so, is the use of English, taking the most conservative estimates, by three or four hundred million people for whom it is not a native language. English has become a second language in countries like India, Kenya, Nigeria, or Singapore, where it is used for administration, broadcasting, and education. In these countries, now numbering more than fifty, English is a vital alternative language, often unifying huge territories and diverse populations with different languages.

Did you like to learn more about how English became such a widespread language? Before watching this movie, have you ever wondered for how long people had been learning English in countries like Japan? Let me know in class!

Let's finish the text in the next movie. Bye-bye!