

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 564

Hello, everyone! Welcome to PR Junior.

Today, I will be talking about llamas. Let's begin.

What if you wished you were a llama? That could be fun, but llamas live with people. Maybe you'd rather run wild.

Llamas are domesticated. That means they live with people. They live on farms all over the world. Llamas are not strong enough to carry people the way horses do, but they can carry backpacks for people on hiking trips.

This is it for today. See you!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 564

Hi! Welcome back to PR1.

Let's listen to the story of best friends.

They were best friends. People thought they were sisters. They did everything together. They shared everything with each other. They met in middle school. They were in the same college now. Sometimes they argued, but soon they made up. College can be tough. They took classes together. They studied together. They always helped each other. They were good students. They were from Colorado. They went home together. They lived in the same town. They knew the same people. Their family knew each other. They went back to college together. They shared one room. They acted like sisters. It is nice having a best friend. Everybody should have a best friend.

That's it for today. See you later!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 564

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

I have a news story here that isn't really positive at all, and is something we've talked about before, and that is the deforestation of the Amazon rainforest. It's a pretty awful thing that doesn't seem to be going away anytime soon. Take a listen to this:

Deforestation in Brazil's Amazon surged to record levels for the month of April, nearly doubling the area of forest removed in that month last year – the previous April record – preliminary government data showed on May 6th, alarming environmental campaigners. In the first 29 days of April, deforestation in the region totaled 1,012.5 square kilometers, according to data from national space research agency INPE. Destruction of the Brazilian Amazon in the first four months of the year also hit a record for the period of 1,954 square kilometers, an increase of 69% compared to the same period of 2021 – clearing an area more than double the size of New York City.

Ah, well that's pretty gross when you think about it, isn't it? I mean, I remember hearing about and learning about deforestation when I was very young – and all the plans to combat it. But now we're still talking about the same thing, so it's kinda bizarre that there's still an issue – or, at the same time, I guess it's not really surprising at all.

Alright, guys, well, until next time – and as always – study hard, stay safe, and I'll see you soon.