

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 568

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Today, I have the next part of the story about the two mice. Take a listen.

The Country Mouse had never seen anything like it. But before they could even start eating, the door of the pantry opened and someone came in. The two mice ran off and hid themselves in a narrow and very uncomfortable hole.

Well, that's all for today and I'll see you in class. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 568

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

By the way, do you like wearing jeans? Today I am going to talk about the history of jeans. Let's get started!

The story of jeans goes back to the 19th century when sailors from Genoa, Italy, wore durable cotton and wool denim trousers. Then, in 1853, 24-year-old Levi Strauss traveled to San Francisco from Germany and decided to design trousers for manual workers from this material. Levi made his own brand, which [he] called 'Levi's'. They were a big hit, and by the 1950s, jeans had become very popular with a whole generation of young people. At first, many places such as theaters and restaurants banned them. Nowadays, jeans are a staple item of clothing in everyone's wardrobe!

That is all for today. Bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 568

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2!

Today, you are going to be listening to a text about someone who was once one of the richest kings in the world. Let's begin!

King Croesus was once one of the richest kings in the world. He ruled over Lydia, an ancient empire located near modern-day Turkey and controlled a valuable commodity: gold. Many people were very envious of him.

One day, a messenger disclosed some interesting news: political unrest in Persia had weakened the empire. Before then, the Persians had taken over many countries. Many leaders were scared of the Persian conquest. But King Croesus understood the dynamics of war better than most. He decided that it would be a good time to try to beat the Persians while they were weak.

He advocated starting war, but nobody shared his sentiment. Then he asked a wise member of the senate who was visiting from Athens. The sage didn't say whether he should attack the Persians or not. He only warned him that his good luck wouldn't last. Finally, King Croesus sent a messenger to visit the Oracle, a special lady who could see the future.

That was all for today! Make sure to remember the words you didn't quite understand and ask the teachers at Tomas about them next time you see them!

Take care! Bye-bye!