

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 571

Hello, everyone! Welcome to PR Junior.

Today, I will be talking about a llama's life. Let's begin.

Llamas' families are called herds. About twenty animals live in a herd. There is usually one dad, with many moms and babies. On farms, llama babies see their herd working happily with humans. They learn that people are friendly. Llamas eat tough grass, shrubs, and woody plants.

This is it for today. See you!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 571

Hello! Welcome back to PR1!

Today's movie is *Toy Story*! Have you ever watched the movie? If you have, now you have the chance to hear the story as a book! Let's get started.

Andy was a very lucky boy. He had lots of different toys. But his favorite toy was a cowboy named Woody. Andy loved to play with Woody. But there was something Andy didn't know about Woody and the other toys. When Andy wasn't around, the toys had a life of their own. They moved. They talked. They laughed. And they had adventures. All toys did. But only when no one was watching.

Alright, let's end it here and continue the story in the next movie. See you later! Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 571

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

Now, last time I read a story about the discovery of prehistoric fossils in a place that you wouldn't expect – the streets of downtown Bangkok. Well, today I have another news story about another fossil discovery in another place that you might not expect to find fossils – but this time, it couldn't be more different to Bangkok. Take a listen:

The fossils of three Ichthyosaurs, giant marine reptiles that patrolled primordial oceans, have been discovered high up in the Swiss Alps, and include the largest ever tooth found for the species, a study said April 28th. With elongated bodies and small heads, the prehistoric leviathans weighed up to 80 tons and grew to 20 meters, making them among the largest animals to have ever lived. They first appeared 250 million years ago in the early Triassic, and the smaller, dolphin-like subtype survived until 90 million years ago. But the gigantic Ichthyosaurs, which comprise most of the species, died out 200 million years ago.

Ah, yes, Ichthyosaurus! One of the more well-known prehistoric sea-dwelling creatures that I learned about when I was young, and I think there was a case of a full Ichthyosaurus skeleton being found on a beach somewhere in England, but I'd have to check up on the details of that.

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