

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 58**

Hello, everyone!

Today, we will be reading *Olivia the Spy*.

Before they took their seats, her mother asked her if she needed to use the you-know-what.

“No,” said Olivia, “I’m fine.”

Of course ten minutes into the first act, Olivia needed to use the you-know-what. Badly.

“Excuse me, my little one needs to use the you-know-what.”

“Of course. It’s the door on the left.”

Good job, everyone! See you next time!

**Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 58**

Hi, everyone!

This is PR1 dictation. Today we will use the Eiken level 2 textbook. Today we will do a conversation – so a talk between two people.

Hello.

Hi, this is Jacob Edwards, your friend from the tennis club.

Hi, Jacob. I hope you’ve gotten over your cold. I’m looking forward to our practice on Saturday.

Well, that’s why I’m calling. I’m not sick anymore, but my boss is sending me on an emergency business trip over the weekend. I have to cancel our practice this week.

Oh, that’s too bad. Well, I guess I’ll see you when you get back.

Did you guys understand? I hope you did.

OK, I’ll see you guys in the next video. Bye!

## Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 58

Hello, everyone! How are you all doing?

It's not the nicest, uh, time of year – these [past] few weeks [there's] been a lot of rain and a lot of moisture in the air and it has been driving me absolutely crazy, but maybe some of you like this weather and, uh, hopefully you guys are all doing well and keeping your chins up.

Anyways, I've got another little extract I would like to read to you today; it is from the entrance exam for the Kokusai Kiristokyou University – ICU – and today's one is from 2015. So, listen to this and see if you can understand. Here we go:

According to scientists, the universe was created in an event referred to as the Big Bang. Just after it occurred, only light elements, such as helium and [hydrogen], existed in the universe. More than 100 million years passed before the gas formed from light elements came together under the effect of gravity, to form what we now know as stars. As the gases came together, the inside of stars became hotter, the pressure increased, and the elements transformed into other elements. At first, lighter elements such as hydrogen or helium burned in the center, but one by one they became heavier elements such as carbon and oxygen. As the elements burned and changed, the stars released energy which prevented them from collapsing under the effect of gravity. This energy escaped as light, visible to us as shining stars in the night sky.

Alright, umm, please tell me how you went with that and I will see you in another video. Take care! Bye, guys!