Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 594

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior. Today, I will talk about the beach. Take a listen:

The beach is fun! Some people swim in the water. They see who is the fastest. The winner gets a surfboard. Some people lie down on the sand. They want to relax. The kids make sandcastles. They try to make the castles big and tall. Later, the water washes the sandcastles away. The kids make new ones.

That's it for today, see you later!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 594

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR 1.

Today, I have a news article about the UK rail strike. Take a listen.

Nearly 40,000 UK rail service workers went on strike on Tuesday. The rail strike was the country's biggest in the last 30 years. They want better pay. Rail companies negotiate with the government. Sadly, the result is not good.

Many trains don't run. Millions of people can't travel anywhere. Only about 20% of trains run. The worst situation is in Scotland and Wales. Ten thousand workers of London Underground are on strike, too. Workers plan two more strikes on Thursday and Sunday.

The UK is going through difficult times after the Coronavirus. The UK leader says that the strikes make the situation worse.

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

Dictation Contest (PR2, 上級) No. 594

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2!

Today, I'm going to be reading the second part of the text about Ted, who more than anything wanted to be brave. Let's begin!

Then he noticed it. An animal of substantial size had left a print from its paw in the dirt. He sat closer to the fire and looked into the darkness. He imagined a large beast jumping from the gloom and attacking him. He shook so much from fear that it felt like the marrow in his bones quivered.

Ted contemplated many different plans. He was hesitant to act. He decided to stay by the fire, but during his vigil, he heard more noises.

He couldn't contend with his fear any longer. He knew what he had to do. He made a torch and followed the prints. He heard a twig snap very close ahead, but he bravely went on. Seconds later, he discovered what had scared him. It was only a kangaroo.

Ted went back to his camp and slept. In the morning, he found his squad. He had finally learned courage. He learned that he had to confront his fear in order to conquer it.

Were you able to guess what Ted was going to see in the bushes? I personally thought that he would have had to fight with a ferocious beast. Let me know what you thought next time you see me! For now – bye-bye!