

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 604**

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Hi, Ivo! Which do you like better, talking with your friends or your family?

I like talking to friends more because we have got the same interests. What about you?

Me too! But I also enjoy talking with my family. My father is very funny.

Really? I don't talk to my parents that much. I wish I could talk with them more, too.

That is all for today, see you next time!

**Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 604**

Hello, everyone! Today we'll be reading a story about two girls named Kyoko and Jennifer. Let's begin.

Kyoko was a high school student. Jennifer, a student from Canada, was staying with Kyoko's family. Kyoko and Jennifer were going to have job experiences together at a bakery for a week. They were going to work as salespersons. Kyoko wasn't interested in it, but Jennifer was because she wanted to have her own bakery in the future. On the first day of their job experiences, Kyoko and Jennifer were told to learn the names of all the kinds of breads and their prices. Mr. Takeda, the owner of Takeda Bakery, welcomed Kyoko and Jennifer with his chocolate rolls. Kyoko and Jennifer ate them.

Okay, guys, that's all for today! Thanks for listening and I'll see you again in class.

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 604

Hello! Welcome back to PR2.

Today's movie is part two of the text about the Green Revolution. Let's get started.

In dry areas, especially, the loss of top soil has lowered the productivity of the land. In these areas, also, grain production has been limited by a lack of water. The new types of grain require much more water than the grain people used to grow.

Yet another reason for lower production lies in the nature of the chemicals that farmers have used. Although these fertilizers and insecticides raise production levels at first, they must be used in increasing amounts after that. Many farmers cannot afford to buy more, and so production decreases. These chemicals have other effects that are expensive in the long run. They flow into the ground water, causing pollution and health problems. As people learn about these problems, they put pressure on farmers to further limit their use of chemicals.

Finally, the green revolution has brought about social and political conflict that has interfered with food production. The problem lies in the cost of the new agricultural methods. Only the larger landowners can afford to make the necessary investments for maximum production of the new grains. With their profits, the large landowners then buy land from the smaller [farms]. This way, the large landowners become even richer and the number of landless poor people increases.

Alright, let's stop here for today and continue in the next movie! Bye-bye!