

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 608

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

This is part nineteen of the story about the Litter King. Let's begin!

The Litter King gave Charlie a uniform to put on.

"Take a big bag and fill it with garbage," he said. "You can start by making a mess of a few playgrounds and parks. If you don't do a good job, I will get very angry."

"Oh, I don't like this," thought Charlie.

That is all for today. Come back next time to hear the rest of the story! Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 608

Hello, everyone! How are you? Welcome back to PR1!

Do you like butterflies? Today I am going to talk about a kind of (a) butterfly.

The monarch butterflies are in California in the winter! They usually live in the north in the summer. Every winter, they spread their wings and fly south to Mexico because they don't like the cold. Monarch butterflies are beautiful. They fill the sky with orange and black spots when they fly. In the winter, the butterflies stop in California to rest. They are [in all] the trees. Winter is my favorite season because the butterflies are [here] in California. They are graceful, colorful, and wonderful. In the spring, they will fly north again to Canada.

That's all for today! Thank you and see you in the next video!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 608

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

Now, I have another news story here relating to the prehistoric world, and the remnants of it that we still discover today, but this time not technically about fossils. Take a listen to this:

Miners in the Klondike gold fields of Canada's far north have made a rare discovery, digging up the mummified remains of a near-complete baby woolly mammoth. Members of the local Tr'ondek Hwech'in First Nation named the calf Nun cho ga, which means "big baby animal". Paleontologist Grant Zazula said the little tyke, which retained its skin and hair, "is beautiful and one of the most incredible mummified ice age animals ever discovered in the world." The animal is believed to be female and would have died during the ice age, more than 30,000 years ago, when woolly mammoths roamed this region alongside wild horses and cave lions.

Ah yeah, I've seen a few stories like this – about woolly mammoths or other creatures from the ice age being found almost perfectly preserved – and it always raises the question of the possibility of cloning. Now, I think it's– the possibility of cloning an animal from the DNA in such a perfectly preserved specimen like this is way more likely than cloning an animal from, say, the DNA in the blood ingested by a mosquito that has since been preserved in amber. Just sayin'. Well, maybe both are possible in the future, who knows?

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