Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 658

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior. Today, I have a story about a farmer and a snake. Take a listen:

Once upon a time, on a cold, cold winter day, a snake was laying still by the road. A farmer was walking by, and he noticed that the snake was freezing. He decided to help the snake and put it into his shirt to warm it up...

Well, that's all for today. See you next time! Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 658

Hi, everyone! Do you know Aesop's Fables? Today I will tell you the story of *The Ant and the Grasshopper* from Aesop's Fables. Let's listen to it!

In the summer, an ant was busy preparing for the winter. He was collecting as much food as he could. A grasshopper saw the ant and laughed, "Why are you working, ant? It is summer and I'm singing and having fun."

Later, when the winter came, the idle grasshopper went hungry because he had nothing to eat. But the hard-working ant was now happy because he had a lot of food for the winter.

It's good to prepare yourself at all time[s], don't you agree? That is all for today. See you next time!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 658

Hello, everyone! Welcome to PR2!

Do you guys know the history behind the Statue of Liberty? Today, we are going to read about Amy's trip to New York and hear about what she learned during the trip. Let's begin!

The Statue of Liberty, arguably one of New York City's most iconic symbols, is a popular tourist attraction for first-time visitors to the city. This 150-foot monument was gifted to the United States from France in order to celebrate 100 years of America's independence. The statue is located on Liberty Island, and it is accessible by taking a ferry from either Battery Park in New York City or Liberty State Park in Jersey City.

When Amy visited the Statue of Liberty for the first time, she instantly admired it as a symbol of freedom. Amy made sure to make reservations before visiting because only 240 people are permitted to climb the staircase to the top of the statue every day. After climbing almost 400 stairs, Amy received spectacular views of the city from the statue's crown. During her visit, she learned that the Statue of Liberty was not always the color that it is now. She found out that because the statue's exterior is made of copper, the statue oxidized over time, giving it the greenish appearance it has in the present day. When it was first constructed, the statue was the same color as a shiny penny!

That's all for today! See you next time