

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 664

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior!

Today you are going to listen to *Lisa's Winter Vacation*! Let's begin!

Lisa is a high school student in Australia. This winter, she went to Singapore. It was her first time to go there. She stayed with her uncle Michael for seven days. Michael and his family live in a big house with a pool. Lisa was surprised to see a pool at his house. "Are you a rich man?" Lisa asked.

That's all for today! See you next time! Have a nice day!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 664

Hello! Welcome back to PR1. Let's continue the story of Mushu.

"You don't think I can do it?" I cried. "Jump back!" I puffed my cheeks and made a flame. I am a dragon after all.

The first ancestor wasn't impressed. "You had your chance. You led ancestor Fa Deng to a disaster."

"Thanks a lot," said Fa Deng.

"You are unworthy of this spot," the first ancestor said as he threw me out the door. "Awaken the Great Stone Dragon".

I banged my gong to wake old Rocky, but he didn't hear me, so I started hitting him. The protector crumbled to dust!

Let's stop here and continue in the next movie. See you later!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 664

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR2.

Today I am going to read an article about animal communication versus human communication. Let's begin.

Humans are not the only creatures that communicate. Many other animals exchange signals and signs that help them find food, migrate, or reproduce, and this ensures their survival. For example, elephants emit very low-pitched sounds, below the level of human hearing, that call other members of the herd over many miles. Chimpanzees use facial expressions and body language to express dominance or affection with each other. Whales and dolphins make vocal clicks, squeals, or sing songs to exchange information about feeding and migration, and to locate each other. Insects regularly use pheromones, a special kind of hormone, to attract mates.

Humans have developed more complex systems of language that are used not only to ensure survival, but to express ideas and emotions, to tell stories and remember the past, and to negotiate with one another. They also created the written form, which began with drawings or marks made to indicate meaningful information about the world. Thirty thousand-year-old cave paintings that have been discovered in France, for example, illustrate Ice Age animals, while 15,000-year-old counting marks have been found on reindeer antlers, perhaps to record the cycles of the moon.

That was all for today, see you next time!