

**Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 683**

Hello! Welcome to PR Junior.

This is the last part of the story *Baby Whale's Mistake*. Let's get started!

"Wait! Where is that kind whale who saved us?" asked the men. Suddenly baby whale came up [with] an enormous jump, waving his tail to say "goodbye". He felt so happy that everyone was safe again.

This is the end of the story! What did you think of Baby Whale's story? Let me know in class. See you in the next movie!

**Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 683**

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

The world is getting hot these days. Let's take a look at this phenomenon with me.

The Earth's temperature has been rising, and the problem is getting worse. This is known as global warming. When sunlight reaches the earth, the atmosphere, which is the mix of gases around the Earth, stops some of the heat from going back out into space. This is called the greenhouse effect. Greenhouse gases are the gases in the atmosphere that actually trap the heat we get from sunlight. Carbon dioxide is one of the most important greenhouse gases. In the next hundred years, the Earth could become a lot warmer. The ice at the poles (or the most northern and southern points of the Earth) could melt.

That was all for today. See you next time! Goodbye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 683

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

Now, I'm sure you're all aware and perhaps quite proud of the fact that Japan is extremely famous across the world, and that Tokyo alone is a super popular tourist destination. But what country, at least in terms of English-speaking countries, do you think most of Tokyo's tourists come from? I've always thought it might be Australia, and it seems like this news story might corroborate that! Take a listen:

Japan is the most researched travel destination by Australians on Google, according to data released by the internet search giant on October 5<sup>th</sup> to mark two decades in Australia. An analysis of Australian search trends over the twenty-year period saw Japan top of the list as the most googled destination, followed by New Zealand and Thailand. Other destinations featured in the top ten included Vietnam, Australia, and Tasmania. David Galt, CEO of Australian online travel agent Webjet OTA said Japan has always been a popular destination for Australians, from ski holidays to cherry blossom viewing, and Aussies are eager to return as pandemic border restrictions ease.

Ah, yeah, well there you go! Looks like we'll be getting a lot more overseas visitors from many countries, I guess, over the coming months, so it'll be interesting to see how the dynamic and atmosphere around Tokyo changes.

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