

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 686

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Let's continue our tour on Emily's house.

On the second floor they have a dressing room and they keep their clothes in the closet. There have two bathroom[s]. They brush their teeth in the bathroom. The house also has a garden on the first floor. Jack and Sally like to play with the dog in the garden.

Wow! They have a really nice house.

That's all for today. See you next time!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 686

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, I am going to read an email titled "Getting Ready for Christmas". Let's begin!

Dear Yamada,

I'm excited because it will be Christmas soon! This is will be your first Christmas in the United States, right? People here often set up Christmas trees and prepare gifts for Christmas. We put a Christmas tree in the living room, then decorate it with fairy lights and many other Christmas ornaments. On Saturday morning, my family and I are going to the department store to buy a tree as well as decorations for it. We'll decorate it on Sunday afternoon after putting it up. Would you like to come with us to pick out a nice tree? We would love to decorate it with you.

Your friend,

John

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

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 686

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2!

Today, I'm going to read the second part of the book called *Introduction to Anthropology*.
Take a listen:

Like Katie, I started college with a curiosity about people but no clear major. In my second year, without knowing what anthropology was, I enrolled in an anthropology course called "Controlling Processes." Throughout the semester, the professor encouraged us to question how social institutions affect the ways we think and act. This inquiry resonated with my upbringing: my mother, who had immigrated to the United States in her twenties, often questioned U.S. customs that were unfamiliar to her. At times, this was profoundly disappointing to me as a child. For example, she could not understand the joyous potential of filling up on candy at Halloween, a holiday not celebrated in her country. Yet, her outsider perspective inspired in me a healthy skepticism about things that others take to be "normal." As I took more anthropology courses, I became intrigued by diverse notions of normality found around the world. If you are reading this textbook for your first anthropology course, you are likely wondering, much like we did, what anthropology is all about. Perhaps the course description appealed to you in some way, but you had a hard time articulating what exactly drove you to enroll. With this book, you are in the right place!

That's all for today! See you!