

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 691

Hello! Welcome to PR Junior.

Today, I will continue reading the next part of the letter to Grandmother. Let's start.

My father is very happy about my new lessons. In March, he bought a piano for me. Sometimes, my mother plays the piano, too. In September, my teacher is going to have a concert. All of her students are going to play one song. I'm going to play "Little Star." Please come to the concert.

That is all for today. See you next time, good bye!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 691

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, I am going to read Yamada's reply to John's email about Christmas. Let's begin!

Dear John,

Thank you for your email. Yes, this will be my first Christmas in the United States. I really want to go and get a tree with you, but unfortunately I have other plans on Saturday. I'm sorry. I have to go visit a friend who was hospitalized due to an injury. It's pretty far from here and the trip will take the whole day up, so I can't go with you. But I'd love to decorate the tree with you on Sunday. I've never seen nor decorated a Christmas tree in a house before. Is it a real tree? Also, what time should I be there on Sunday?

Your friend,

Yamada

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

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2!

Today I'm going to read the third part of the book, called *Introduction to anthropology*.

Take a listen:

“WHAT IS ANTHROPOLOGY?”

Derived from Greek, the word *anthropos* means “human” and *logy* refers to the “study of.” Quite literally, anthropology is the study of humanity. It is the study of everything and anything that makes us human. From cultures, to languages, to material remains in human evolution, anthropologists examine every dimension of humanity by asking compelling questions like: How did we come to be human and who are our ancestors? Why do people look and act so differently throughout the world? What do we all have in common? How have we changed culturally and biologically over time? What factors influence diverse human beliefs and behaviors throughout the world? You may notice that these questions are very broad. Indeed, anthropology is an expansive field of study. It is comprised of four subfields that in the United States include cultural anthropology, archaeology, biological or physical anthropology, and linguistic anthropology. Together, the subfields provide a multi-faceted picture of the human condition. Applied anthropology is another area of specialization within or between the anthropological subfields. It aims to solve specific practical problems in collaboration with governmental, non-profit, and community organizations as well as businesses and corporations.

That's all for today! See you!