

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 706

Welcome back to PR Junior!

This is Part Six [of the story] about an adventure in the desert. Let's begin.

"It won't budge," said the driver. "The town is still a long way off. We can't get help until tomorrow."

Biff saw smoke in the distance.

"It must be from the new railroad," said a man. "They are even laying railway track across the desert."

"Use the mobile phone," said Wilf.

"That's no good," said Biff. "Mobile phones aren't invented here, yet."

Okay, that's all for today. See you again next time!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 706

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, we will have a short conversation about school life. Let's begin!

Yerin: Hi, Professor Kay.

Kay: Hi, Yerin. How was your summer?

Yerin: Very productive. I volunteered for a few weeks at a hospital, and now I'm interested in working in healthcare after I graduate. I'm going to take your new class on healthcare administration too.

Kay: That's great. Healthcare in this country is really changing. There's definitely a need for specialists who can help others understand what's going on. I think that it would be a good career path for you. Let me know if you'd like a list of helpful articles or books.

Yerin: Thanks! I'd appreciate that.

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

Dictation Contest (PR2, 上級) No. 706

Hello everyone! Welcome back to PR 2.

Today, we will listen to an English article about the domestication of dogs. The title of the article is "How Accurate Is the Theory of Dog Domestication in 'Alpha'? Domestication means keeping them as pets. Let's begin!

Long ago, before your four-legged best friend learned to fetch tennis balls or watch football from the couch, his ancestors were purely wild animals in competition – sometimes violent – with our own. So how did this relationship change? How did dogs go from being our bitter rivals to our snuggly, fluffy pooch pals? The new drama Alpha answers that question with a Hollywood "tail" of the very first human/dog partnership.

Europe is a cold and dangerous place 20,000 years ago when the film's hero, a young hunter named Keda, is injured and left for dead. Fighting to survive, he forgoes killing an injured wolf and instead befriends the animal, forging an unlikely partnership that – according to the film – launches our long and intimate bond with dogs. Just how many nuggets of fact might be sprinkled throughout this prehistoric fiction? We'll never know the gritty details of how humans and dogs first began to come together. But beyond the theater the true story is slowly taking shape, as scientists explore the real origins of our oldest domestic relationship and learn how both species have changed along canines' evolutionary journey from wolves to dogs. When and where were dogs domesticated?

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