

Dictation Contest (PR Jr, 初級) No. 738

Hello! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Let's continue Elsa and Anna's story, *Frozen*.

Without her glove and upset with Anna, Elsa accidentally exposed her secret powers. The whole kingdom was covered with ice and snow. Fearing she might hurt someone and ruin her kingdom, Elsa ran away. Anna thought it was her fault Elsa's powers had been revealed. She rushed off to find her sister.

Alright, this is all for today. Let's continue the story in the next movie. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 738

Hello everyone! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, I will be talking about an ancient town named Pompeii. Let's go!

Pompeii is an ancient town in Italy which was destroyed by a volcanic eruption in 79 AD. The lava and ash from the eruption of Mount Vesuvius buried the town along with everything and everyone in it. Most of the site has been studied by archaeologists who have uncovered many objects among the ruins. The town is now a popular tourist attraction and is visited by thousands of people each year. They can walk along the streets which were once a part of the busy market town and are now an important part of history. The discoveries at Pompeii influenced European culture very much.

That's all. Bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 738

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR2.

How are you today? How's your life going these days? Today I'll share you all a story about the first African American to play Major League Baseball. Take a listen.

Too many people go through life complaining about their problems. I've always believed that if you took one tenth of the energy you put into complaining and applied it to solving problems, you'd be surprised by how well things can work out. My favorite non-complainer of all time may be Jackie Robinson, the first African American to play Major League Baseball. He endured racism that many young people today couldn't understand. He knew he had to play better than the white guys, and he knew he had to work harder. So that's what he did. He vowed not to complain, even if fans spit on him. I used to have a photo of Jackie Robinson hanging in my office, and it did make me sad that so many students knew little about him. Many never even noticed the photo. Young people brought up on color TV don't spend a lot of time looking at black and white images. The message in his story is this: Complaining does not work as a strategy. We all have finite time and energy. Any time we spend whining is unlikely to help us achieve our goals. And it won't make us happier.

Alright, that is it for today's story. How was it? I hope it was something interesting for you guys. I'll see you next time!