

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 746

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Today, I am going to read ~~the~~ Part Two of the story of *The Flying Elephant*. Let's begin!

It rained and rained. It was a bad storm. The wind was strong. It blew the elephant away.

The children went to school. The elephant was in the playground. The children laughed.

The children told Mrs. May. "Look at that fat elephant," they said.

"An elephant?" said Mrs. May. "Don't be silly."

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

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 746

Hello, everyone. Welcome back to PR1.

Cows, deer and goats on farms create a lot of gas. A lot of the world's methane is from farm animals. Methane is the second most common greenhouse gas. Bill Gates wants to help reduce it. He put money into a new technology company called Rumin8. Which makes seaweed-based food that will cut the methane in animal burps.

Bill Gates who is the founder of Microsoft thinks that farming less animals will help the environment. Since a third of all greenhouse gas emissions is from farming animals. Mr Gates' spokesperson said Rumin8 offers a low-cost answer to reducing greenhouse gasses. He added that Rumin8 would help farmers all over the world.

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

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 746

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR2.

Today, I will read an article about parasites and their effects on their hosts. Let's begin!

A parasite is a plant or animal that feeds and lives on or in another plant or animal, which is called a host. In one sense, all animals are parasites because they rely on other living creatures for food. However, the term is usually restricted to relatively small organisms which feed on limited amounts of the host's tissue or food. Parasites can have varying effects on their hosts, and most parasites cause virtually no harm. For instance, one type of ameba lives in the human intestine with no ill effect. On the other hand, other parasites may cause deadly diseases, such as malaria, which is caused by a parasite in red blood cells. Most bacteria and many one-celled animals are parasites. Larger parasites may seriously damage their hosts. Tapeworms absorb digested food in the intestine, thus depriving their host of necessary nourishment. Hookworms are harmful parasites that feed on the host's blood. Parasitic insect like ticks and mites attack the skin. Their bites can be very irritating, but the diseases they can spread are far more dangerous. Plants can be severely affected by parasites. Plant parasites attack beans, potatoes, apples, and grapes, altogether destroying about 3 billion dollars' worth of crops each year in the United States alone.

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