

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 771

Ivo: Hi, everyone! In today's movie, we will talk about Giulia's plans for the future. Today is her last day working at TOMAS.

Giulia: Hi everyone! I'm sad to leave, but I'm excited about my next adventures.

Ivo: Giulia, where are you going after you leave Japan?

Giulia: I will spend 2 months in Mongolia and 2 months in Brazil, my home country. After that, I will move to the United States.

Ivo: Sounds exciting. Let's wish her good luck!

Giulia: Bye bye everyone!

Dictation Contest (PR1, 中級) No. 771

Hi guys! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, let me tell you a story that took place at Monsters University. Take a listen.

Mike was small and green and round. Some monsters would say he wasn't very scary, but Mike had plans. Big plans. Some day he was going to be the greatest scarer the world had ever seen, and the first step? Learning how to scare at Monsters University. Mike was a serious student. He liked studying. He liked his classes. In fact, he liked everything about school, except Sully. Sully was another student in Mike's scaring class. Mike and Sully just didn't get along. Mike thought Sully was lazy. Sully thought Mike was too little and cute to be scary. Mike couldn't wait to prove Sully wrong.

Okay, that's it for today. See you next time. Bye bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2, 上級) No. 771

Hi, everyone! Welcome back to PR2.

Today, you're going to listen to a story about teacher incomes. Let's begin.

Teaching isn't considered a high paying profession in the US. However, it turns out that it is better paying than most Americans think. The average teacher's salary was over 58,000 dollars in the academic year ending 2016. However, our survey shows that Americans assumed that teachers were making an average of around 40,000 dollars, almost 30% less than the actual salary. Given their perception, 6 in 10 Americans felt that teachers' salaries should be increased. After they learned the real figure, only 36% felt a salary increase was needed. Teacher salaries are about 17% lower than other college graduate professions. However, Andrew Biggs of the Conservative American Enterprise Institute believes that teachers are overpaid, especially those given higher salaries because of their master's degrees. Biggs and other critics say possession of a master's degree is no guarantee of better teaching performance. Furthermore, Biggs argued that teachers are given over a generous retirement pension and lifelong benefits.

That is all for today. Bye bye!