

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 988

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior!

Today, we're with June on a beach adventure.

He watches surfers riding the waves and collects colorful seashells along the shore. In the distance, a tall lighthouse stands, guiding ships safely. But what June enjoys most is building big sandcastles, shaping his own beach kingdom.

That's all for today's beach adventure with June.

Join us next time for more exciting stories!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 988

Hi, guys! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, you are going to listen to a story about a [comic] called *MegaTokyo*.

*MegaTokyo* is a free American online comic written and drawn by Fred Gallagher. At first, there were two writers, but one writer quit in 2002.

It is about life in a foreign country for two Americans. They go to Tokyo for fun, but they spend all of their money there. Because of this, they cannot buy a ticket to get home. They decided to stay and work in Akihabara. One of them works part-time as a salesclerk in a comic shop. The other works as an English teacher.

They have many accidents and troubles in Japan.

That is all for today, bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 988

Hey, guys! How are you doing?

Hope you're all still staying healthy and safe.

For a few of these PR2 dictation videos, I've read out some kind of travel segment, and this time I've got one about a place you may have heard of – a little town called New York. Take a listen:

They say there's no better place to ring in the New Year than New York, and they're right! Everyone looks forward to the countdown.

In the afternoon, visit the Empire State Building. Take a teddy bear to recreate the famous scene from *Sleepless in Seattle*. And don't be shy; everyone has the same idea. Do you think you have all day to hang around? You don't! Night is falling soon, so head back to Times Square. This is where it's all going to happen: drinks, food, memorable characters, parties, and entertainment. And what entertainment! At around 6pm, watch the Times Square Ball being raised on the 25-story One Times Square skyscraper. Multiple locations around Times Square will have live entertainment leading up to midnight. Or take your chances with the weather and the crowds at street level.

Alternatively, take a cruise on New York Harbor to watch the fireworks going off beside the Statue of Liberty. Make a note to do a daytime cruise later to see Ellis Island and the Freedom Tower. And remember to wrap up warm: temperatures in the city are usually around one degree Celsius.

Ah yes, I've heard that New Year's Eve in New York is probably one of the most unique experiences you can have in life. And who knows? Maybe I'll get to experience it myself one day!

Alright, guys, well, until next time – and as always – study hard, stay safe, and I'll see you soon.