

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 994

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR Junior.

Today, I am going to talk about [a] part-time job. Let's get started.

Are you looking for a job for the weekends? Do you love to exercise? Can you drive?

If you answer "yes" to all of these, then join the Black Cat Movers!

You can help people who are moving to a new home. We are looking for people who can move furniture and boxes. You can make money and get good exercise at the same time.

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

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 994

Hey, guys! Welcome back to PR1.

Today, you are going to listen to a story about SeaWorld in the United States.

Anyone that is interested in ocean life in America knows about SeaWorld. SeaWorld is a famous adventure park in the United States. The first SeaWorld started in 1964 in California. Now, there are SeaWorlds in two other states. Visitors can see sea animals such as turtles and whales in huge aquariums. Visitors can watch daily shows, too. In the shows, a clever animal like a dolphin does tricks. For example, they can use their noses to play with a toy or to hit a ball. Visitors who take a seat closer to the water often get wet.

That is all for today, bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 994

Hello everyone, welcome back to PR2!

Since I am a little too obsessed with the indigenous peoples of the world, let's learn about Polynesian culture! Did you know that the Disney movie *Moana* comes from Polynesian culture? The setting itself is a fictional island Motunui, but the culture is based that of islands including Hawaii, Samoa, Tonga, and Tahiti.

Sources claim that principal characteristics of traditional Polynesian cultures are an effective adaptation to and mastery of the ocean environment. The Polynesians were superb mariners, their voyages extending as far as Chile, which is 3,500 kilometers east of Easter Island. They are masters of the numerous hazards of the Pacific environment, which led to their prosperity.

Another important characteristic of traditional culture was a certain amount of conservatism. This is apparent in all Polynesian cultures, even those that are separated by hundreds or thousands of miles, and whose populations were separated two or three millennia ago. For instance, a comparison of material goods such as stone adzes and fishhooks from widely separated groups reveals a remarkable similarity. The same is true for kinship [terms], plant names, and much of the rest of the technical vocabulary of the cultures, as well as for art motifs and medical preparations. The ornate and voluminous genealogies, chants, legends, songs, and spells that were passed down and elaborated through the generations show a profound reverence for the past.

Alright, that is all from me! See you another time!