

Dictation Contest (PRJr, 初級) No. 536

Hi! Welcome back to PR Junior!

Tell me, what do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

I enjoy drawing and painting.

You know how to draw and paint?

Yes, I do!

When did you learn how to do that?

I learned back in high school.

Oh, so you took an art class?

Yeah, I loved that class.

I see that you are pretty talented.

Thank you very much!

I wish I had a talent like that...

I'm sure you have a talent, it's just hidden.

That's all for today. See you later!

Dictation Contest (PR 1, 中級) No. 536

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR 1.

Today, I have a news article about the oldest woman in the world who passed away recently.

Take a listen.

The oldest woman in the world died on April 19th at the age of 119.

Kane Tanaka was born in Japan in 1903. When she was 19, she married an owner of a rice shop. She worked there until she was 103. For the past few years, Tanaka lived in a nursing home in the city of Fukuoka.

Many historical events happened during her lifetime. The woman lived through both World Wars, the 1918 Spanish flu, and the COVID-19 pandemic. Also, she survived cancer twice.

Do you think you will live to be as old as Kane Tanaka? That's all for today. Bye-bye!

Dictation Contest (PR2 上級) No. 536

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to PR2!

Today, I'm going to read the continuation of the story about the tenacious inventor. Do you remember the meaning of tenacious? If not, then I hope that you will remember once you hear the end of this story. Let's begin!

He placed the device on a rocket and launched it into the sky. The propulsion of the rocket carried the device high into the air. The rocket accelerated into the clouds and then released the device. It glided on its wings through the clouds, and when it penetrated the center of a large black cloud, it emitted the electromagnetic pulse. And just as he had predicted, lightning shot from the cloud!

He called his professors, and the next day they came to watch. He successfully duplicated the experiment. His teachers were extremely impressed and called the student his inventions ingenious.

The student was given many awards and became a famous inventor. He had not given up. He had remained tenacious and succeeded.

So, the inventor never gave up, despite the amount of times his friends had told him to do so. By being tenacious – or in other words, persistent – he was able to achieve his goals! This story teaches us that if we really believe in something, many things that would be considered impossible, could in fact become reality.

Anyways, I'll see you next time! Bye-bye!