**ICRT News Lunchbox 110/10/06News for Kids（國小）**

River Turns "On" and "Off"

In English, we say "turn on" and "turn off" for many things… like the TV, or

the lights! We don't "open" the lights or "close" the TV, we 'turn on' the TV

or 'turn off' the lights.

There is a small river in America that is very strange. For a few months

every year the river starts for 15 minutes and then the water stops for 15

minutes.

美國有一條小河很奇怪。每一年有幾個月的時間它會流動15分鐘，接著停止15分鐘。

It's almost like someone 'turns on' and 'turns off' the river!

好像有人打開或是關掉這條河。

But people don't do it, it just happens!

它會打開或是關掉，但並不是人類控制的。

Scientists think that a big bubble of air stops the water from coming up from

underground.

The air underground makes a bubble. Then, the big bubble of air stops the

water, making the river 'start' and 'stop'.

科學家認為是從地底下冒出來的巨大空氣泡泡擋住了河流，就好像關掉一樣，接著又開始流動。

There are very few rivers like this around the world.

這樣子的河流在全世界非常地少見。

It's very strange, yeah? But also very interesting. A river that turns on and

off!

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Vocabulary

河流會自己打開或是關上，原來是空氣泡泡造成的。

1. Turn on 打開。

It's so hot! Let me turn on the air conditioner. 好熱，我來打開冷氣機。

Remember to turn it off before you go to bed. 你睡覺之前要記得把它關掉。

2. Turn off 關上。

Did you turn off the fan last night? 你昨晚有關掉電扇嗎？

I didn't turn it on. 我沒有打開它。

But I did turn off the air conditioner. 但是我有關掉冷氣機。

3. Underground 地下。

Spring water is rising up from underground. 泉水從地下冒出來。

No wonder plants here are so green. 難怪這裡的植物都很綠。

4. Start 開始。

Come quick, Ryan! The game starts in 2 minutes!

趕快來，萊恩，比賽再兩分鐘就開始了！

Why do they start so early? 他們怎麼這麼早開始？

I have no idea.不知道呢。

唸單字可以幫助我們記憶。

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underground 地下

start 開始

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Quiz

1. What is strange about one river in America?

A: The water turns on for 15 minutes, then turns off

B: The water is purple and sweet

C: The water makes a funny sound

2. Why does the river turn on and turn off?

A: A big bubble of air stops the water

B: A person turns it on and off

C: Elephants drink all the water

3. How long does the river 'turn off' each time?

A: 15 minutes

B: 30 minutes

C: One hour

Answers

1. A

2. A

3. A

**ICRT News Lunchbox 110/10/06News Bites 文字檔 (國中)**

Hello everybody, and welcome to a new episode of News Bites!

I'm Nancy Sun...

And I'm Trevor Tortomasi.

In today's news:

Recycling after you eat, investing by a hamster, and a lead actress leaves a

new show.

All that and more, coming up next.

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內用紙餐具要開始做回收囉

Time to Start Recycling Paper Tableware

Everyone in Taiwan has worked hard to stop COVID-19.

And we are slowly starting to get back to normal.

Of course, we still have to be careful, wear masks sometimes, and wash our

hands often.

But now, one thing we can do again is eat in restaurants.

But remember, if you are eating at a restaurant, there's something new you

need to do.

Starting this month, restaurants that use paper tableware (紙餐具) will need

recycle them.

The restaurant must have a place for recycling paper tableware.

It should have a clear sign.

環保署說用紙餐具的自助餐店或便當店，只要有提共內用，都需要設置紙餐具回收設施，還要有清楚的標示，讓消費者餐後可以做垃圾分類。

And people who eat in the restaurant should put their used paper plates,

bowls, or boxes there.

And the restaurant has to remind (提醒) people to do this.

The government says about 7,600 places that sell food will have to make this

change.

Anyone who doesn't follow these new rules could be fined (被罰款) $300,000NT.

環保局提醒大家，吃飽以後記得把食物殘渣投入「廚餘回收桶」，再將紙杯、紙碗、紙盤、紙餐盒「清理、分類、堆疊」，最後投入「廢紙餐具回收設施」。

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倉鼠界股神 投資表現優於巴菲特及美股大盤

Hamster Shows Investors How It's Done

Lots of people put money into the stock market (股市).

They choose a company, and buy its stock (股份).

If you have a company's stock, it's like you own a little part of that company.

If the company's stock goes up, your little part is worth more money.

有些人會買股票，擁有一個公司的股票就像擁有這個公司的一小部分，公司的股票漲價，你持有的部分就變得更值錢。

Many people put a lot of work into choosing stocks to make money.

Some go to school for years to learn about it.

But someone...or...something is making money on the stock market without any

practice!

Meet Mr. Goxx.

He is a hamster (倉鼠).

Since June this year, Mr. Goxx has been buying and selling cryptocurrencies

(加密貨幣).

Mr. Goxx has a very high-tech (高科技) office.

In his office, the little gray hamster has a special wheel.

When he runs on the wheel, it goes through the names of different

cryptocurrencies.

When he stops, one cryptocurrency is chosen.

There are also two tunnels (隧道) in his cage.

One is the "buy" tunnel.

The other is the "sell" tunnel.

If Mr. Goxx runs through the buy tunnel, a computer will buy some of the

cryptocurrency he chose on the wheel.

If the hamster runs through the sell tunnel, the computer will sell what Mr.

Goxx chose on the wheel.

This all sounds like a crazy game...and it sounds like a way to lose lots of money.

But, Mr. Goxx has actually made money!

When he first started buying and selling cryptocurrencies, Mr. Goxx had

$12,270 NT.

Now, he has about $16,080 NT.

That means he's doing better than famous investor Warren Buffett.

這一隻小倉鼠Mr. Goxx選擇的加密貨幣投資組合報酬率居然更勝股神沃倫巴菲特及標普

500！

But Mr. Goxx's owner asks everyone to remember that this is all just for fun.

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女主角退出電視節目

Actress Leaves Upcoming TV Series

The lead actress of a new show has stepped down (離職).

Phoebe Waller-Bridge was supposed to be one of the stars for the Mr. & Mrs.

Smith television series.

It was based on the 2005 movie of the same name.

The original film starred Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie.

菲比·沃勒-布里奇決定退出新的史密斯任務電視節目。

Phoebe reportedly left because of creative differences (創作理念不同) with

Donald Glover, the show's creator.

They are now looking for a new actress to take over the role.

The new show is still scheduled to start airing in 2022.

It will be on the Amazon Prime streaming service.

劇組正在找新的女主角，希望明年按時上映。

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And that's today's episode of News Bites