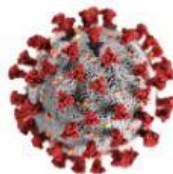


GLOBAL COVID-19

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In the last month or two the world as we know is ended. All **because of** a **tiny** pathogen. Adults stopped _____ to work, students _____ to learn from home and people **kept distance between each other** on the streets and in shops. No matter how **weird**, all of these **measures** are meant to stop the Covid-19 disease from _____.



Andy, UK

London, April 6th

It's hard _____ how the UK is doing. A group of people in Birmingham burned down a 5G tower because of **rumours** going around that 5G started the virus. **The government advice** is to stay inside and "socially distance" yourself. It's a phrase I'd never heard until two weeks _____. Schools closed _____ Friday March 20th. It's a difficult time of year to **expect** people to stay inside. It's spring. The sun _____ for the first time in months so a lot of people are still going outside and spending time together in _____ parks. Some have closed because of this. All the **benches** in my local park have been covered in **red tape**. The police are getting a lot of phone calls about people ignoring the government guidelines, even from people informing on their neighbours, but the police aren't enforcing anything yet. _____ people are wearing **face masks** and gloves. There are very _____ planes overhead and less traffic on the roads. People **queue** outside shops 2 metres apart from each other. These queues are sometimes hundreds of metres long.

Peppur, USA

Los Angeles, April 2nd

In Los Angeles, the sun is shining but it does not feel so bright. We walk the dogs _____ the morning and the streets are empty. There are _____ cars. My _____ is a ghost town. Sometimes I walk down the middle of the street with our two dogs simply because I can. I am sad and scared, yet, I think this emptiness is a positive thing because people in Los Angeles are following the rules. Most people are staying at home, most people are staying safe.

Nasim, Iran

Tehran, April 5th

Maybe our reaction to Covid-19 was different _____ countries. Iran is facing many challenges and people have _____ to adapt very quickly. For _____ first two weeks we panicked. It was a bit **confusing** to **figure out** what the coronavirus was and how to protect ourselves against it. The media was full of **fake information**. After two weeks, people _____ back to their normal lives. There was no panic-buying. Schools, universities and mosques were closed from the beginning and the government asked people to stay at home. _____, they did not believe a **quarantine** was necessary, so it was only after five weeks that they started to **require social distancing**. In Iran, the symbol of this pandemic could be **togetherness**. People are helping each other during this crisis. Manufacturers started _____ their factories to sew masks or produce alcohol for disinfection. **Landlords** don't **ask** _____ **rent** from people who lost their businesses, or allow them to pay later.

Keith, Germany

Regensburg, April 1st

In response to the Covid-19 crisis, all of Germany is on lockdown. All schools, stores, and restaurants are closed until at least April 20th. People are only _____ go outside alone to **take care** _____ things like buying food or going to work. You can also go outside to exercise – either alone or with family members _____ live with you. Where I live in Bavaria people **seem** to be following the rules, **except** when the weather is nice and then everyone just seems _____ outside at the same time. The most powerful symbol of this crisis here in _____ Germany is all the roped off playgrounds. There are playgrounds everywhere here, but because of the coronavirus, they are all closed.