

# LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Nations around the world are preparing for a (1) \_\_\_\_\_ major outbreak of a new deadly virus. The coronavirus, which started in the Chinese city of Wuhan, has (2) \_\_\_\_\_ killed 17 people. It has spread to the USA, Japan, Korea and Thailand. More than 540 people have (3) \_\_\_\_\_ the virus and are in hospital. The World Health Organization (WHO) is meeting to (4) \_\_\_\_\_ whether the outbreak is a global health emergency. China is urging people not to panic ahead of the Chinese New Year next week. Millions of Chinese will be travelling across the country to (5) \_\_\_\_\_ the holiday season with their families. Meanwhile, the city of Wuhan has (6) \_\_\_\_\_ its public transport systems to help stop the spread of the virus.

The new coronavirus is suspected to have come from illegally (7) \_\_\_\_\_ animals in a Wuhan market. The virus (8) \_\_\_\_\_ and spread from an animal to a human. There are fears it could mutate and spread further. Scientists say the virus is (9) \_\_\_\_\_ and can be passed from person to person through the air. Dr Linfa Wang, a virologist at the Duke-National University of Singapore, said the new coronavirus is in the same (10) \_\_\_\_\_ as SARS, but it's different from SARS. He said people needed to look for pneumonia-like symptoms, such as fever, (11) \_\_\_\_\_ and difficulty breathing. Fu Ning, a 36-year-old woman from Beijing, said: "I feel fearful because there's no (12) \_\_\_\_\_ for the virus."

**Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.**

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|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1. (a) possible   | (b) possibilities | (c) possibly     | (d) possibility |
| 2. (a) yet        | (b) still         | (c) already      | (d) since       |
| 3. (a) hurt       | (b) trapped       | (c) threw        | (d) caught      |
| 4. (a) decode     | (b) decide        | (c) decade       | (d) deuced      |
| 5. (a) avail      | (b) buy           | (c) purchase     | (d) spend       |
| 6. (a) suspension | (b) suspense      | (c) suspended    | (d) suspender   |
| 7. (a) trading    | (b) traded        | (c) trades       | (d) trade       |
| 8. (a) mutated    | (b) mutant        | (c) muted        | (d) mute        |
| 9. (a) contagious | (b) contagion     | (c) contagiously | (d) contiguous  |
| 10. (a) relatives | (b) relations     | (c) family       | (d) kin         |
| 11. (a) caught    | (b) coffer        | (c) cuff         | (d) cough       |
| 12. (a) curl      | (b) cure          | (c) curs         | (d) curt        |