

Corona virus: a change to our routine

Normally, we would be starting unit 3 about *routines and schedules*. However, we are going to practice **Present Progressive** before we revisit the Present Simple.

A. Please read the paragraph below about how my life is different due to the world wide COVID-19 pandemic.

A Different Life

My life is very different right now. I usually wake up at 5:50 and get ready for work. Now, we **are staying** home to protect ourselves from the corona virus. I usually work from about 7:45-4:45, but these days, I **am working** from home. I normally see my students face to face at school. Now, we **are learning** online. The corona virus **is changing** how we live and work. Many places are closed. Now, I **am shopping** online a lot. Everyone **is staying** indoors. We **are not interacting** with people. We **are trying** to stay away from others. My sisters and I **are calling** and **face timing** our mother three times a week. I **am worrying** about toilet paper, medicine, and contamination. People **are reacting** extremely. Now, I **am waiting** for things to return to normal.

1. Check comprehension

What am I doing differently? Check (✓) six things. Now, I **am**...

☐ **spending** time with friends.

☐ **eating** at restaurants.

☐ **staying** home.

☐ **teaching** online.

☐ **calling** my family.

☐ **visiting** my sisters.

☐ **driving** to work.

☐ **avoiding** people.

☐ **cooking** at home.

☐ **shopping** online.

B. Now write about you. Write a 7-10 sentence paragraph about how things are different in your home. Please remember to leave space for the very first sentence (only) and to continue writing to the end of the line or to continue onto the next line.

Check:

- ☐ capital letters
- ☐ periods
- ☐ space at the beginning of first sentence *only*
- ☐ continue writing to the end of the line or continue

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