WHO says young people also at risk from COVID-19

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The WHO (World Health Organisation) warned young people they are at risk from COVID-19. Many young people believe they cannot catch the virus because of their age. They think only older people catch it. The WHO said this is a mistake. Many young people are getting ill or dying. They are also spreading the disease to their parents and grandparents. The White House told young people to follow the rules and not gather in large groups. This will help slow the spread of the virus.

The WHO told young people they can get COVID-19. Coronavirus can put young people in hospital for weeks, or even kill them. The choices they make about where they go could mean someone else dies. Many COVID-19 patients in hospital are under 50 years old. New York's governor said many young people are not following social-distancing rules. He told them: "This is a public health issue and you cannot be endangering other peoples' health."

2. Decide if the following statements are TRUE, FALSE, or NOT GIVEN.

1. The WHO told young people they are at risk from COVID-19.

   TRUE FALSE NOT GIVEN

2. The article says 90% or young people think they cannot catch the virus.

   TRUE FALSE NOT GIVEN

3. The WHO said only aged people can catch COVID-19.

   TRUE FALSE NOT GIVEN

4. The White House urged people not to gather in large groups.

   TRUE FALSE NOT GIVEN

5. The WHO warned young people they are not invincible.

   TRUE FALSE NOT GIVEN

6. The WHO said young people must think about where they go.

   TRUE FALSE NOT GIVEN

7. Many COVID-19 hospital patients are under 50 years old.

   TRUE FALSE NOT GIVEN

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8. New York's governor said young people were following rules.

TRUE FALSE NOT GIVEN

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