

Teenager emerges from bedroom to say ‘What virus?’



Although the UK is _____ lockdown, events are yet to disturb the sleep/gaming pattern of one _____ teenager. In fact, very few British youngsters are aware of the Coronavirus outbreak, given the _____ of distractions like Fortnite, Tik Tok and 24/7 _____.

Darren Holt, 17, has interrupted his self-imposed self-isolation to hunt for cheese on toast and a clean pair of _____, only to discover his entire family are on ventilators in a _____ hospital. ‘I thought it had gone a bit quiet, but I’d just assumed they were all _____ in a particularly _____ episode of Mrs Brown’s Boys,’ he explained.

_____, Darren had already been actively following guidelines of social distancing but had also _____ future instructions, such as the government telling us not to brush our hair, tidy our room or clean out _____ old cups of tea. He has now returned to his room, bravely determined to self-isolate for months on end. This partly to do with Covid 19, but mainly to do with having just downloaded Red Dead Redemption 2.

Synonym matching.

Match the words from the text with their synonyms.

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| 1: Under | A: lazing around |
| 2: hibernating | B: supposed |
| 3: allure | C: lie dormant |
| 4: dossing | D: enthralling |
| 5: pants | E: underwear |
| 6: nearby | F beneath |
| 7: engrossed | G: captivate |
| 8: riveting | H: old |
| 9: coincidentally | I: contiguous |
| 10: anticipated | J: fortuitously |
| 11: mouldy | K: immersed |

Speaking.

Imagine you have just woken up and your house is empty. What are your first thoughts? What do you do first?

Now, when you go to the kitchen you realise that your phone has no reception and the TV doesn't work, in a panic you turn your computer on and find out that there is no internet. How do you feel?

You decide to go outside and find the streets empty, there isn't a sound to be heard..... What happens next?