

Liebe Schüler/innen im 10er A-Kurs,

im Internet findet ihr auf den Seiten https://freeeslmaterials.com/sean_banville_lessons.html unzählige Texte/Übungen/ Informationen, um eure Sprachkenntnisse up-to-date zu halten! Bitte nutzt diese Texte und lest so viel wie möglich in Englisch.

Hier ist ein ganz aktueller Text, in dem es um COVID-19 geht, entnommen aus dieser Internetseite: <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200324-who.html>

Bitte lest diesen Text und bearbeitet die entsprechenden Aufgaben!

The World Health Organization (WHO) is warning young people all over the world that they are also at risk from COVID-19. The WHO said young people are not exempt from catching the coronavirus. Many young people mistakenly believe they will not catch the virus because of their age. They think it is a disease that only older people catch. The WHO said the truth is that young people are catching the coronavirus and becoming ill or dying from it. It added that young people are also spreading the disease to their parents, grandparents and other people. The White House also urged young adults to follow advice and to avoid gathering in large groups to help prevent the spread of the virus.

The Director-General of the WHO said: "Today, I have a message for young people: You are not invincible." He added: "This coronavirus could put you in hospital for weeks, or even kill you. Even if you don't get sick, the choices you make about where you go could be the difference between life and death for someone else." The WHO said: "A significant proportion of patients treated in hospital for COVID-19 around the world are aged under 50." New York Governor Andrew Cuomo said many young people are not following the state's social-distancing rules. He told young people that: "This is a public health issue and you cannot be endangering other peoples' health."

Answer the questions

1. Where are the young people the WHO is warning?
2. Who did the WHO say was not exempt from catching the coronavirus?
3. Who do some young people think mainly catch the disease?
4. Who did the WHO say young people could give the virus to?
5. Who urged young adults not to gather in large groups?
6. What was the message the WHO gave to young people?
7. For how long did the WHO say young people could stay in hospital?
8. What did the WHO say young people could make the difference between?
9. Which U.S. state is Andrew Cuomo the governor of?
10. What kind of issue did Andrew Cuomo say social distancing was?

Match the words and definitions:

Paragraph 1

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| 1. at risk | a. Free from having to do something or having something done to you. |
| 2. exempt | b. The things that are true. |
| 3. catch | c. Stop something from happening. |
| 4. truth | d. Get an illness, infection or disease. |
| 5. urged | e. Keep away from or stop oneself from doing something. |
| 6. avoid | f. In danger. |
| 7. prevent | g. Tried hard to get someone to do something. |

Paragraph 2

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| 8. invincible | h. The possibility of selecting between two or more things. |
| 9. choice | i. The state of being alive and living. |
| 10. life | j. An important topic or problem for debate or discussion. |
| 11. death | k. Important. |
| 12. significant | l. The action or fact of dying or being killed. |
| 13. proportion | m. Too strong to be defeated. |
| 14. issue | n. A part, share, or number compared to a whole. |

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if 1-8 below are true (T) or false (F).

1. The WHO told young people they are at risk from COVID-19. **T / F**
2. The article says 90% of young people think they cannot catch the virus. **T / F**
3. The WHO said only aged people can catch COVID-19. **T / F**
4. The White House urged people not to gather in large groups. **T / F**
5. The WHO warned young people they are not invincible. **T / F**
6. The WHO said young people must think about where they go. **T / F**
7. Many COVID-19 hospital patients are under 50 years old. **T / F**
8. New York's governor said young people were following rules. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. warning2. at risk3. mistakenly4. catch5. prevent6. invincible7. sick8. proportion9. rules10. endangering | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. wrongly2. threatening3. stop4. part5. contract6. cautioning7. regulations8. in danger9. ill10. indestructible |
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3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. they are also at2. mistakenly believe they will not catch3. becoming ill4. urged young adults5. help prevent the spread6. You are not7. the difference between life8. A significant proportion of patients9. following the state's social-10. This is a public health | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. the virus2. treated in hospital3. risk from COVID-194. issue5. and death6. to follow advice7. distancing rules8. or dying from it9. of the virus10. invincible |
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