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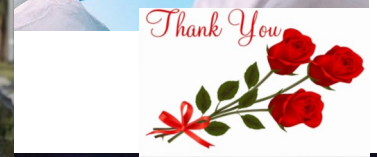
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Salute the Heroes of COVID –19 A Legacy of Honour



For Giving New Hope, For Being an inspiration, For Being the
Unstoppable

Corona virus

The Virus That will Make History

In December 2019, the pharmaceutical authorizations in China openly acknowledged that a newly found novel coronavirus, which first developed in the city of Wuhan, could pave the way for a medical emergency. Termed SARS-CoV-2, the virus had resulted in an outbreak of respiratory illness, identified as COVID-19, amidst some residents. Now, four months later, this outbreak has conquered the world and conventional life has transitorily come to a standstill.

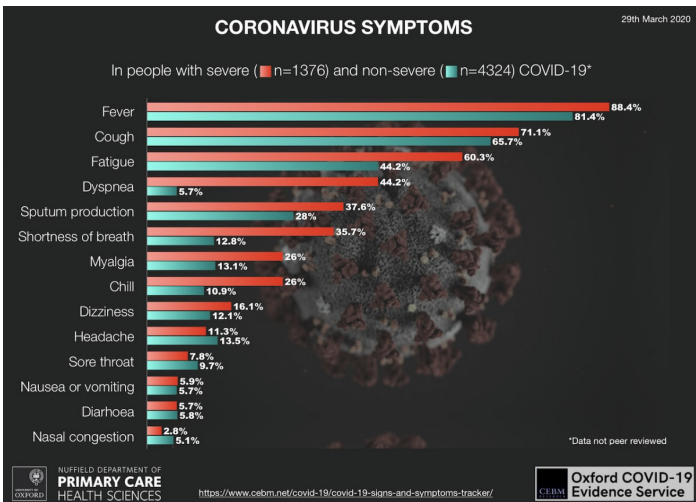


This illness circulated like wildfire sending a preponderance of the countries on the globe into a distressed state. In fact, since the first case, millions have now been infected by this appalling virus along with numerous fatal cases being promulgated daily. The World Health Organization subsequently declared the outbreak a global pandemic on March 11, 2020. Several countries opted to seal all perimeters, close down commercial establishments and shops, and ultimately bring the country to a lockdown. Significant improvements can now be observed among these nations that attempted to flatten the curve early on itself.

People should try and co-operate with authorities and other professionals who are obliged to do this for the collective gain. Following mitigation measures such as maintaining good hygiene, sanitizing and washing hands frequently and maintaining social distance from one another is imperative to diminish the severity of this ailment.

During such unpropitious circumstances, lockdowns and sealing of borders are not options they are necessities. It is an undeniable fact that underestimating the extent of this illness can generate more impairment than salutary outcomes.

Such stressful situations are, in fact, an analysis of how well we can constrain ourselves and make sensible decisions when exposed to something that can be said to have the potential to even carry all of humankind to the verge of extinction. I firmly believe that if we remain together and help each other out, ironically by staying at home and keeping communicative distance, any unmanageable circumstance caused by this deadly pathogen can be overcome. So, let's all heed ordinances given by the liable officials, spread awareness and remain updated ourselves and this too shall pass.



The only difference between a good day and a bad day is your attitude

Dennis S. Brown

Current outbreak COVID-19- A Pandemic Across the World

COVID 19 or Corona Virus has put the entire world at risk of isolation and quarantine. This has exposed the man who took pride in his rationality and exploratory skills. He is running against time to find an antidote to this microscopic but barbaric villain. COVID-19 is an infectious virus emerged from Wuhan, China during the year 2019. So, what is it actually?

Most people infected with the COVID-19 virus will experience mild to moderate respiratory illness and recover without requiring special treatment. Older people and those with underlying medical problems like cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, and cancer are more likely to develop serious illness. As there is no cure found for the Corona virus disease, it is important to protect ourselves and be safe.

To prevent COVID-19, there are some ways which are provided to us to follow them strictly and do not disobey them. The COVID-19 virus spreads primarily through droplets of saliva or discharge from the nose when an infected person coughs or sneezes, so it's important that you also practice respiratory etiquette (for example, by coughing into a flexed elbow). Protect yourself and others from infection by washing your hands or using an alcohol based sanitizer frequently and not touching your face.

Currently as the citizens of the country is preferably said to stay at home to stop spreading the virus from one unwholesome to a healthy person. There are lockdowns in many countries but still the number of people infected is in a large number, which is about 1,850,220 confirmed cases with 430,455 recovered and 114,215 deaths worldwide. Most of the cases are found in the USA and Italy due to lack of measures to be taken to prevent the deadly virus.

Police, Doctors and many people to safeguard the citizens are working just for you and are meant to be appreciated. Don't you dare to come out of your home? Your home is the only place of safeguard your life. You should not be a person getting affected and infecting others.

Let people keep themselves inside and Corona outside. Saving this world is in your hands.

E-LEARNING: BLISS OR "I'M SO TIRED OF THIS"?

Under the gloomy shadows of novel Corona virus or COVID19, large sections of people have been critically affected. One group among them is the student force. Classes have been suspended until an uncertain date, and for a while, we students had been caught up in a never-ending spiral of boredom. The introduction of online classes created history, when students all over the globe were relieved to have something to do besides carrying themselves through the 24 hours that had seemed like an eternity.

Yes, online classes do have their own perks. Teaching becomes a less tedious task as there are no wild acts of disobedience or mischief, except for the occasional chaos and network disruptions. Assignments are sent back and forth in a trice, and the fact that everything is done online helps teachers keep a track of their students' performance.

However, students do certainly miss the joys of being taught in school. With the introduction of online classes, there are no mid-class whispers, no secretive passing of food behind the desks and sleeping in class becomes excused with the single sentence, "Sir, my mic wasn't working!" Being teenagers, we certainly do miss having fun with our teachers and fellow classmates, all of which has been put to a standstill.

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As a student myself, I wholeheartedly hope that school resumes as soon as possible, and we return to normalcy.

How To Make Good Use Of The Lockdown Days?

With the COVID-19 pandemic hindering our outdoor activities and compelling us to stay indoors, one can engage himself/herself in productive activities that can make good use of these lock-down days.

How? It is never too late to enhance our lacking skills; for example, with the pandemic straining the food supply chain, we can level up our culinary skills. Using limited ingredients and cooking a delightful meal can not only hone your skills but also save you from frequent grocery visits!

Brighten the dark days by growing a green thumb. Start indoor house-plant cultivation and distract your mind towards tendering of plants.

Activities like meditating, solving crosswords or Sudoku, undertaking online courses and reading can strengthen our mind and verily make us productive during these confining days.



LESSONS FROM COVID-19

Corona virus, a microorganism that is not visible to the plain eye has brought almost the entire world to an abrupt standstill. The work we thought was so necessary to our daily life stands suspended and mankind has no clue what will emerge in the next moment. Today most of us confined to our homes. Many of us took for granted what was on the table have suddenly realized the value of it and getting food is foremost on the itinerary of everyone in many countries.

Till last month the defense of every country was fighting a different war with their visible enemy but today the enemy of nation is hidden in the most unlikely of places. Even majority government has slowly started to think about the “others” and less fortunate. The granaries that were hitherto allowed to go rotten are slowly being opened to the hungry stomachs and money to the poor.

The pandemic, in all its supremacy has not spared anyone no matter where they belonged. It has virtually brought everyone to his or her knees and made them wonder what lay ahead. Corona has mellowed everyone.

The religious leaders of different sects, who only seemed charitable at the outset and summoned the needy to their doorsteps, chose to deliver the food supplies to the needy in their doorsteps.

. The seers have started worrying about the hungry and started saying none should and would go hungry to bed. The hungry and the needy were always there, only the possessed ones did not take note of them. Today everyone has slowly started to think about those who are hungry; we have started understanding why they are hungry and homeless. Disproportion that was deemed moral and legitimate is soon turning into a reality that we need to share something with the less privileged.

The thought that earth was my domain has slowly changed into a thought that the earth belongs to everyone. That we are not islands but a landmass connected to each other. No amount of preaching sermons, satsang would manage to drill hole in the brain to espouse a feeling of kindness but corona managed to do all that in one go.

Corona has brought a good sense in our public and social discourse. It has brought humanity to the fore against divisions we created. It has brought out the need to share with others. It has brought a rethinking into our using of resources.

Look at the hospitals which were overflowing with the afflicted every day. But when the pandemic started to preside over, all other diseases have taken backstage. The need to go to a doctor for other ailments have become bare minimum, and by my conservative scanning of medical landscape, even deaths relating to killer diseases have come down.

It is time to restore everything to the place where it really belongs. That expelling something from its place may be fatal. Let corona pandemic be an opportunity to be just and kind. Corona to me looks like the red velvet mite and has come to restore us to the place where we all really belong, a place of pride of our own in this vast Universe.

Let corona give us fear but not disease. Let it give us lessons not death. Let it become an angel to the weak. Let it go soon but before it goes, let it make humanity humane and this world a better place to live.

My Experience with E-learning

The clock strikes 7:50am and I've already prepared myself for yet another fruitful day of distance learning on Microsoft Teams, looking forward to seeing my teachers, friends and of course, all set to gain knowledge from the comfort of my home. The COVID-19 pandemic has sure left us unable to experience the joy of physically going to school, but thanks to technology, our studies have not come to a standstill.

The distance learning initiative taken by the government of UAE has enabled us to continue our education with much ease. In addition, our school has adapted to the transition wonderfully. The live classes on MS Teams led by our extremely patient and ever-supportive teachers are as good, if not better, as our real-life classes.

Though we are stationed miles apart from our teachers, we are given tasks regularly in the "assignments section" to help us attain mastery over concepts. Through this, our teachers can also track our work easily than ever. The face-to-face meetings with our teachers help us in establishing connection just like the one built with understanding during our traditional classes which have, momentarily, become our past.

As students, it is our duty to be grateful for being able to continue our education smoothly despite the ongoing pandemic. This initiative taken by the UAE government and the untiring efforts of our teachers will never be forgotten.

E-Learning Through the Eyes of a Student

In these tough times with trying to grasp the concept of distance learning, I can't help but shed light on this very encouraging quote by John F Kennedy. "The goal of education is the advancement of knowledge and the dissemination of the truth. And nothing will ever stop that",

Adiaphorous, enjoyable and chaotic. These are just some of the words I would take away from my brief experience in online learning. There is the joy of myself being able to connect, engage and interact with my fellow classmates but also the longing of being able to be present and meet them face to face.

It's funny how something I would rather dread every day, has actually become something I look forward to.

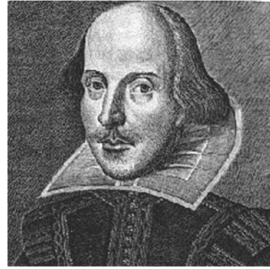
Sure, distance learning has a lot of downs, such as the chaotic impulse of 30 students speaking at the same time. But the experience has a lot of ups and downs as well, with the opportunity to learn and grow with an unfamiliar topic.

It has been rather comforting to have something to occupy my time. My grateful thoughts go out to all the teachers, IT workers and school personnel who have made this program a reality.

I am forever grateful to all of you in these uncertain times!

Lastly I want all of you to know the fact that Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAY



What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet.

William Shakespeare, "Romeo and Juliet"

English is one of the working languages of the many countries, along with national languages. It has also become the *lingua franca* of international relations. Today more than 1.2 billion people in the world speak English and thus has become the world's number 1 language in the ranking order.

English Language Day at the UN and in most of the countries is celebrated on 23 April, the date traditionally observed as both the birthday and date of death of William Shakespeare. The Day is the result of a 2010 initiative by the Department of Global Communications.

In order to create awareness and emphasize the importance of English language, the Department of English AJI organized a short quiz and Power Point presentation during their regular English e-learning class. Students presented their views and point of view on the importance of the language.

The teachers gave the students various activities like poster making, article writing and versification during their regular classes. They also advised the students to master English language skills, Listening, speaking, reading and writing as this play a vital role in their higher education and employment opportunities besides helping them developing friendly relationship with the people of countries, culture and languages.

ENGLISH – A VITAL LANGUAGE

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Speaking in English is as good as gold
The language of English we need to up-
hold

It's very fun when you come to think of it
When you're with your friends who also
loves it

When you go to any country
this is the language of everybody
being expressed in different place
Different accents on different place

Upholding English to everyone
Speaking in English is very fun
Don't be shy and show your greatness
Use it when showing competitiveness

English language is known worldwide
From all languages that were collide
English is known everywhere
It is great to use it anywhere

Poem—Importance of English Language

English is known everywhere.
It is easy to use anywhere.
Speaking in English is really fun,
Because it's known to everyone.

When you go to a country,
This language is of everybody.
Being expressed in different ways.
Different accents in different place.
Many words,

We may curse.
When meaning differ,
Just shake it harder.
English is very hard to learn,
But is very easy to use.
Never be shy to express it freely.
Just be confident and you'll be jolly.
Benalin Maria (9 B)

Importance of Learning English Language

"Without language, one cannot talk to people and understand them; one cannot share their hopes and aspirations, grasp their history, appreciate their poetry, or savor their songs." This one famous quote by Nelson Mandela underpins it all. The sole purpose of linguistics is to help the speakers understand each other's faiths and strengths and support them too.

English is a language spoken by the most extensive number of people across the globe after Chinese and Spanish. It is an undeniable truth that the English language serves as a unifying factor for people from different parts of the world. It serves as a universal language and being able to understand the language fluently makes it possible for people to subsist synchronically in agreement.

It is the official language of 53 countries and spoken by around 400 million people across the globe! Being able to communicate in English also provides you with a fitting gesture to speak and understand native English speakers and people of other nations too. It can be said to have the utmost significance in multiple sectors including media, marketing and patronage. The im-

portance of mastering English cannot be understated - learning English can change your life.

If we were to vigilantly mention every use of this incredibly beneficial language, the list would go on and on. so, in a nutshell, it is the language of international communication, helping millions of people all over the globe to express their needs and accomplishments fluently. Speaking English gives you access to the world of entertainment, provided it is the language in which many of the top films and books are exhibited. Keeping all of these facts in mind, we can comfortably conclude that even if it may be time-consuming and challenging to master this beautiful language, it is indeed reliable and has the potential to create loads of opportunities!

**KNOWLEDGE OF
LANGUAGES IS
THE
DOORWAY
TO WISDOM**
— Roger Bacon —

Language a Vital Tool

Language is a vital tool for communication that keeps us in contact with other people. It is not only a means of communicating thoughts and ideas, but it builds friendships, economic relationships and cultural ties. English language is an international language that is used by many people to communicate with others. It is also spoken as the first language in many countries. English is playing a major role in many sections like education, medicine, engineering, business and even in sports.

English is the most commonly spoken language in the world and so it is very important to learn English if you want to travel or to work or study worldwide. English is the language of the internet. More than half the content on the internet is in English. English is the dominant business language and it has become almost a necessity for people to speak English if they are to enter a global workforce. Many of

the world's top films, books and music are published and produced in English. Therefore, by learning English you will have access to a great wealth of entertainment. English is the language of the internet. A whole lot of people use the internet every day, and many websites are displayed in the English language. Knowing how to read English will allow you access to billions of pages of information. Many of the world's top films, books and music are published and produced in English.

In conclusion there are many reasons as to why studying English is important. We sound more educated and literate, we will be able to communicate properly with others, and it is important for career advancement and respect in the business world. Learning English never ends...

Devika Vinod (10 B)

English—Window to Mysteries.

If you say English,
Some say without it I'm a fish
While others say its my favorite
And I know of someone who says 'its my
birth right .

English is one among the languages
Well, at least that's what I think,
That has been in this Earth for ages
Wait let me refill my ink

Last night someone said
That English has a lot of rules
(I've it all stored in my head)
And it is a language of tools.

Well here comes the bend
'English is a knowledge kit'
And please take my advice in the end
Don't hate English in a fit.

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Celebrating Earth Day Digitally

