

Coronavirus Pandemic Answer



Please check your answers **only after** you've completed the worksheet (pages 1 - 4).

Section 1: Mix & Match

spread like wildfire	disperse quickly to a lot of people
disruptions to daily lives	situations that interrupt normal activities
a global pandemic	an occurrence of a disease that affects the entire world
contain and mitigate (sth)	control and reduce the harmful effects
community transmission	the process by which a disease spreads from person to person in a similar area
have a direct bearing on (sth)	have an immediate influence
global flight hub	central airport international travellers to make connections to other destinations
take urgent and aggressive action	act immediately and with force
infectious disease experts	extremely knowledgeable people who study the spread of contagious illnesses
ramp up all the efforts to do (sth)	increase activities with the goal of accomplishing a task
trigger a spike in (sth)	cause a sudden increase
unreasonable fear	illogical feeling that something bad is happening
unjustified acceptance of (sth)	to approve of something without good reason
the threat posed by (sth)	the danger that could possibly be caused by (sth)
a critical consideration	an important factor that needs careful thought
impose travel restrictions	officially limit the places people can go
(sth) remains to be seen	(sth) will be determined in the future
contact trace patients	finding people who have been in contact with a person with an infectious disease to contain the spread
ring fence the spread of (sth)	to keep control over (sth)
social responsibility	moral duty to behave in a certain way to protect the community
public health crisis	an urgent, dangerous situation that involves the safety of citizens in the community

Section 2: Fill in the blanks**Set A**

1. The amount of effort you put into your lessons and homework will **have a direct bearing on** your grades and your future success.
2. The Ebola virus was contained to just one continent. However, doctors feared it could spread. Without fast action, Ebola could become **a global pandemic**.
3. California had its first occurrence of **community transmission** of the coronavirus. The patient contracted the virus without leaving their own hometown.
4. As the situation at the crowded concert started to turn violent, the police realised it was time to **take urgent and aggressive action**.
5. The company is doing all it can to **contain and mitigate** the spread of the illness amongst its employees.
6. The President will be consulting with several **infectious disease experts** before making a statement about this dangerous virus.
7. I often have to make a connection through Charles de Gaulle Airport in Paris when I am traveling to Dubai. This airport is a **global flight hub** that many major airlines use for their passengers.
8. The rumours of her pregnancy **spread like wildfire** throughout the community. Everyone was whispering that her baggy clothes were hiding a baby bump.
9. After earning horrible grades on her last exams, Sarah decided to **ramp up all the efforts to** have a better academic year. She started studying for hours each night and getting help from a tutor.
10. Even though the entire family was sick, there were very few **disruptions to daily lives** . They were able to accomplish all of their usual tasks without any issues.

Set B

1. Since John's kidneys are failing him, the idea of getting a kidney transplant has now become **a critical consideration**. He is going to talk to his doctors about his possible options.
2. In an attempt to **contact trace patients**, the company is asking all people who worked with John, who has now tested positive for the disease, to email them so they can give them more detailed instructions.
3. In the 1980s, the AIDS epidemic was considered a **public health crisis**. Scientists were having difficulty coming up with treatments for this disease.
4. When a famous celebrity decides to follow a vegan diet, this will often **trigger a spike in** the number of teenagers who also decide to follow this type of diet.
5. The public decided that washing their hands was no longer necessary. This **unjustified acceptance of** poor hygiene was definitely going to cause more problems for the community.
6. The US has decided to **impose travel restrictions**. For 30 days, no one can enter the US from Europe and no Americans can leave the country.
7. In our community, we have a **social responsibility** to provide food and shelter for those who are struggling right now.
8. Many large companies are trying to **ring fence the spread of** illness by asking workers to work from home if they can.
9. The government is investigating **the threat posed by** allowing everyone enter the country without documentation. They worry that some people might cause harm to the citizens who are already here.
10. Lavonda has tried to eat healthier and stick to a strict diet. It still **remains to be seen** whether or not she will lose any weight.