

Suggested Instructions:

Start with the main article first found in the folder called “Main Article” and print out the symbols for the comprehension questions and cut them out (found in folder “comprehension questions”)

Feel free to repeat the article a few times over throughout the week or month since repetition is always good for our students. There is a folder “vocabulary” where you can review the target vocabulary words with your students.

The extension activity goes along with the main news article and explains about germs and handwashing. I did not make larger symbols for these but the choices in the comprehension questions might be large enough for you to cut out or use them as they are.

You don’t have to do everything at once, spread it out if you like, whatever works best for your students.

For students who are visually impaired:

I would use objects when possible especially for choosing answers to the comprehension questions. I understand that materials might be limited and I don’t really know what you all have available at home so try your best. Some suggestions: squishy ball to represent Coronavirus; any kind of first aid product to represent doctor (actual doctor stuff would be ideal); tissue for spread. If all else fails just go over each answer choice clearly and slowly wait for them to respond.

For all students:

Try to limit any visual/auditory distractions if possible. Find a designated spot to do academic activities and feel free to use black construction paper or poster board as a background when using the printed out materials to make it easier for them to focus and see the material.

Depending on the student I would put more emphasis on clear choice making and participation over whether they got the question correct or not.

Below are links to videos and resources you can use to go along with the activity.

Links to video included in N2Y extension activity

Coronavirus explained to kids video:

<https://youtu.be/L-n8uNNnS38>

Wash your hands song:

<https://youtu.be/dDHJW4r3eIE>

Other links found on Coronavirus:

Peekaboo Kidz on Coronavirus

<https://youtu.be/R-JbDMYmAQM>

Children's Hospital Colorado

<https://youtu.be/vSsKQPqpS7A>

Eurac Research

<https://youtu.be/MVvVTDhGqaA>

Other links about Social Distancing

UC Irvine

<https://youtu.be/-NHDnpTmUjo>

KiviCo

<https://youtu.be/2HTA3ql6uWY>

Parent/Kid Resources:

NPR: Comic Exploring the new Coronavirus

<https://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/2020/02/28/809580453/just-for-kids-a-comic-exploring-the-new-coronavirus>

Child Mind Institute: Talking to Kids About the Coronavirus

<https://childmind.org/article/talking-to-kids-about-the-coronavirus/>