



## Pandemics Project



### Background on COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic, also known as the coronavirus pandemic, is an ongoing global pandemic. The outbreak was first identified in China in December 2019 and a pandemic on 11 March 2020. So far, more than 10.4 million cases of COVID-19 have been reported in more than 188 countries. However, 5.33 million people have recovered.

The pandemic has caused global social and economic disruption. It has led to the postponement or cancellation of sporting, religious, political and cultural events, panic buying, schools and universities being closed and changes to daily life.



We have all had to do things differently from the affect of COVID-19. Many of us have had to work from home. Firefighters are not able to work from home but have had to work differently by ensuring they stay in their working bubbles with no crossover! Being a firefighter requires them to do lots of training to make sure they can keep everyone safe, some of this has had to be done online, a bit like some of your lessons from school. Some firefighters have had training on how to drive ambulances to help support the NHS. Others have helped to change the use of buildings, so they could be used by the NHS if needed. The pandemic has changed the way the world works.

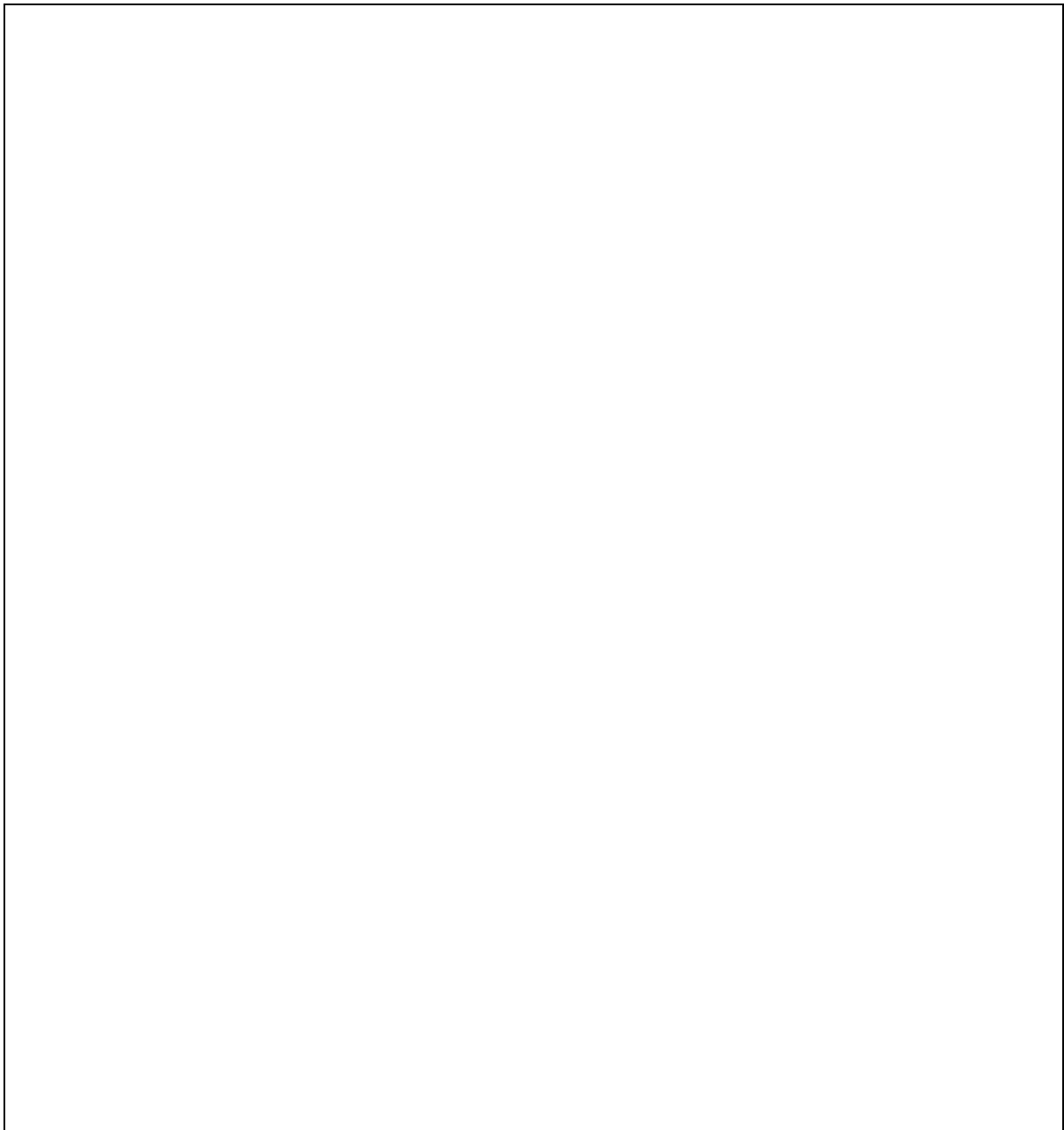
The government sent out a message to everyone which was:

**'Stay at home. Protect the NHS. Save lives.'**

**This then changed to 'Stay \_\_\_\_\_' (5)**

People are advised to wear masks in public places, wash their hands for 20 seconds, cough into their elbow, stay 2 metres apart and limit social contact with others.

Could you use these messages to produce a poster to help the public become aware of how they can help reduce the pandemic?

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**We would like you to think of how COVID-19 has affected you and your family?**

What changes have you made?

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What have you missed?

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What have you learnt?

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What have you enjoyed?

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What has been your highlight?

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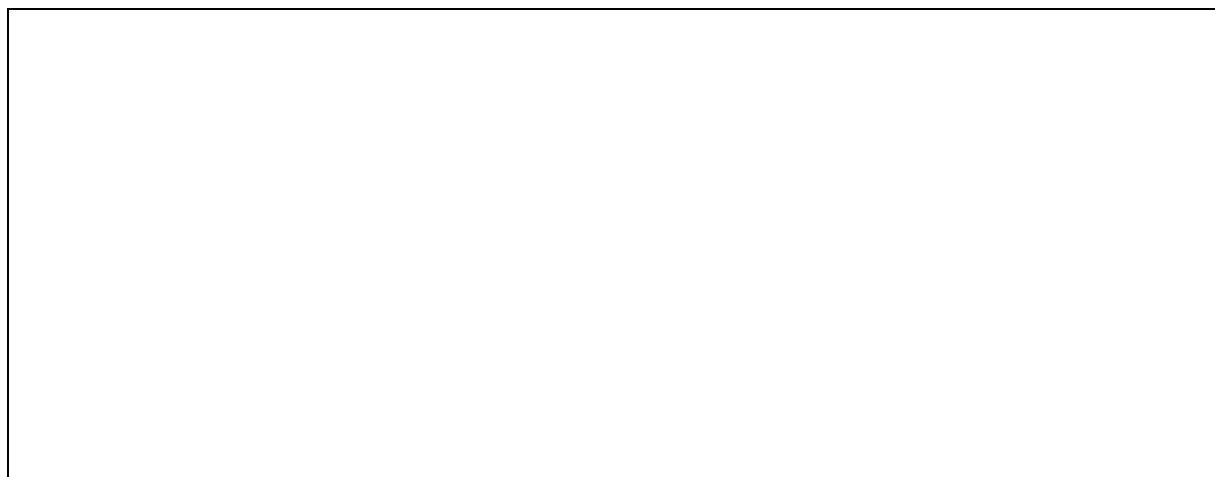
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Anything else you would like to share?

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A picture of your most memorable thing you have done during lockdown?



## Other pandemics

In **1918** there was a pandemic that was very similar to COVID-19.

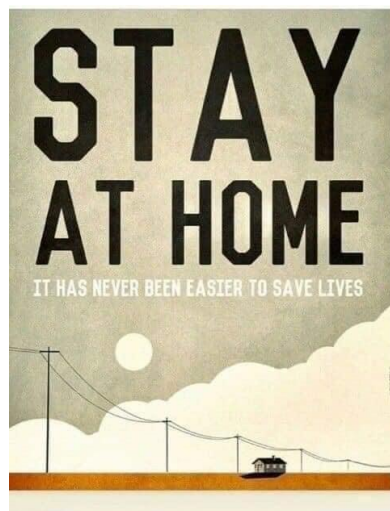
What was the pandemic known as? (a name of a country)

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We would like you to research the similarities and differences with both pandemics?

**COVID-19 compared to \_\_\_\_\_ (7) Flu 1918**

Similarities	Differences



In **2009** there was another pandemic.

Can you find out what this pandemic was known as? (\_\_\_\_\_ Flu)

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Could you research into this pandemic and again compare it to COVID-19 and Spanish Flu.

Possible questions to answer:

Where did it start?

How many people were affected?

What were the causes?

How long did it last?

How did it affect the world?