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Men start washing hands because of coronavirus

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THE ARTICLE

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The spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus has made more men wash their hands more often, especially after going to the toilet. A recent survey of 2,000 men in the UK found that 32 per cent of them did not wash their hands after using the toilet. However, social media reports that more men are washing their hands in public toilets since the outbreak of COVID-19. People on Twitter wrote that a month ago, it was unusual to see a man using the sinks in a public toilet. Since the outbreak, more men have been washing their hands in public toilets. Dan McCoy, a writer from New York, said: "For once, there are lines in men's restrooms as coronavirus makes men wash their hands for the first time."

Governments around the world have stressed the importance of regular handwashing. This is not just after using the bathroom but also throughout the day. Doctors say regular handwashing is the best way to stop the spread of the coronavirus. Health authorities in the UK and USA have told people to wash their hands for at least 20 seconds each time - or the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice. A caller into a UK radio station spoke about the first time he realised men were washing their hands. It was when he stopped at the toilets on a highway. He said: "There were eight sinks and men were washing their hands in all of them." He also said the men were spending a long time carefully washing their hands.

Sources: <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-8078807/Disgusting-Men-started-washing-hands-using-toilet-Twitter-users-claim.html>
<https://uk.news.yahoo.com/coronavirus-hand-washing-yougov-stats-140920602.html>
<https://www.theverge.com/2020/3/4/21164475/birthday-hands-washing-app-20-seconds-celebrities-cdc-coronavirus>

WARM-UPS

1. HANDWASHING: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about handwashing. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, talk about these topics or words from the article. What will the article say about them? What can you say about these words and your life?

spread / COVID-19 / hands / toilet / outbreak / sink / public / lines / the first time / stress / importance / handwashing / 20 seconds / Happy Birthday / highway / careful

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. STAY AT HOME: Students A **strongly** believe everyone should stay at home for two weeks to fight the coronavirus; Students B **strongly** believe the opposite. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

4. HYGIENE: How good are these things at keeping COVID-19 away? Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

	How Effective?	Do You Do This?
Handwashing		
Wearing gloves		
Wearing a mask		
Using hand sanitizer		
Staying at home		
Avoid public transport		

5. OUTBREAK: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "outbreak". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

6. DIRTY THINGS: Rank these with your partner. Put the dirtiest things at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Toilets
- Supermarket baskets
- Bus seats
- Park benches
- Ticket machines
- Smartphones
- Restaurant tables
- Computer keyboards

VOCABULARY MATCHING

Paragraph 1

- | | |
|-------------|---|
| 1. spread | a. A toilet in a public building. |
| 2. recent | b. An investigation of the opinions or experience of a group of people, based on a series of questions. |
| 3. survey | c. The place where you wash your hands or wash the dishes (it usually has hot-water and cold-water taps). |
| 4. outbreak | d. The action of moving across a larger and larger area. |
| 5. sink | e. Of or about all people. |
| 6. public | f. Belonging to a time in the past that is close to the present. |
| 7. restroom | g. The sudden start of something unwelcome, such as war, disease, etc. |

Paragraph 2

- | | |
|-----------------|---|
| 8. stressed | h. The people in power. |
| 9. regular | i. Not less than. |
| 10. throughout | j. A big road, especially one that joins major towns or cities. |
| 11. authorities | k. Done or happening often. |
| 12. at least | l. Became fully aware of. |
| 13. realised | m. From the beginning to the end of an event or period of time. |
| 14. highway | n. Put more importance to a point, statement, or idea in speech or writing. |

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200308-handwashing.html>

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

- a. A survey found that 2,000 men didn't wash their hands in public toilets. **T / F**
- b. More men have been washing their hands since the virus outbreak. **T / F**
- c. Twitter users said it used to be unusual to see men at sinks in toilets. **T / F**
- d. A writer said he now sees lines at men's restrooms. **T / F**
- e. The article said all governments said handwashing was important. **T / F**
- f. UK health authorities told people to wash their hands 20 times a day. **T / F**
- g. A radio station host said he always washed his hands on highways. **T / F**
- h. A radio show caller was surprised to see men at eight public toilet sinks. **T / F**

2. SYNONYM MATCH: (The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

- | | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| 1. spread | a. understood |
| 2. often | b. growth |
| 3. toilet | c. using |
| 4. unusual | d. highlighted |
| 5. lines | e. frequently |
| 6. stressed | f. road |
| 7. regular | g. bathroom |
| 8. realised | h. queues |
| 9. highway | i. normal |
| 10. spending | j. strange |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. men wash | a. handwashing |
| 2. since the | b. in public toilets |
| 3. it was unusual to see a man | c. a long time |
| 4. washing their hands | d. their hands more often |
| 5. there are lines in | e. of the coronavirus |
| 6. stressed the importance of regular | f. using the sinks |
| 7. the best way to stop the spread | g. sinks |
| 8. wash their hands for at | h. men's restrooms |
| 9. There were eight | i. least 20 seconds |
| 10. men were spending | j. outbreak of COVID-19 |

GAP FILL

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200308-handwashing.html>

The (1) _____ of the COVID-19 coronavirus has made more men wash their hands more often, (2) _____ after going to the toilet. A recent (3) _____ of 2,000 men in the UK found that 32 per cent of them did not wash their hands after using the toilet. However, social (4) _____ reports that more men are washing their hands in public toilets since the outbreak of COVID-19. People on Twitter wrote that a month ago, it was (5) _____ to see a man using the sinks in a public toilet. Since the outbreak, more men have been washing their hands in (6) _____ toilets. Dan McCoy, a writer from New York, said: "For once, there are (7) _____ in men's restrooms as coronavirus makes men wash their hands for the first (8) _____."

public
especially
time
media
spread
lines
unusual
survey

Governments around the world have (9) _____ the importance of regular handwashing. This is not just after using the bathroom but also (10) _____ the day. Doctors say regular handwashing is the best (11) _____ to stop the spread of the coronavirus. Health authorities in the UK and USA have told people to wash their hands for at (12) _____ 20 seconds each time - or the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" (13) _____. A caller into a UK radio station spoke about the first time he realised men were washing their hands. It was when he stopped at the toilets on a (14) _____. He said: "There were eight sinks and men were washing their hands in (15) _____ of them." He also said the men were spending a long (16) _____ carefully washing their hands.

way
twice
time
stressed
least
all
throughout
highway

LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

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- 1) The spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus has made more men wash their _____
 - a. hands many often
 - b. hands more oft in
 - c. hands more often
 - d. hands more oft on
- 2) 32 per cent of them did not wash their hands after _____
 - a. using the toilet
 - b. use in the toilet
 - c. used in the toilet
 - d. using that toilet
- 3) more men are washing their hands in public toilets _____
 - a. since the out break
 - b. since the out breaks
 - c. since the outer break
 - d. since the outbreak
- 4) Since the outbreak, more men have been washing their _____ toilets
 - a. hands on public
 - b. hands in public
 - c. hands an public
 - d. hand sin public
- 5) restrooms as coronavirus makes men wash their hands for _____
 - a. the first time
 - b. the fast time
 - c. the thirst time
 - d. the firstly time
- 6) Governments around the world have stressed the importance _____
 - a. off regular handwashing
 - b. of regularly handwashing
 - c. of regular handwashing
 - d. of regulars handwashing
- 7) This is not just after using the bathroom but also _____
 - a. through out the day
 - b. through outer the day
 - c. through outs the day
 - d. throughout the day
- 8) Doctors say regular handwashing is the best way to stop the _____ coronavirus
 - a. speared of the
 - b. spreads of the
 - c. spread of the
 - d. sped of the
- 9) There were eight sinks and men were washing their hands _____ them
 - a. in all of
 - b. in wall of
 - c. in mall of
 - d. inner all of
- 10) He also said the men were spending a long time carefully _____
 - a. wash in their hands
 - b. washing their hands
 - c. washing them hands
 - d. washing the hands

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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The spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus has (1) _____ wash their hands more often, especially after going to the toilet. A (2) _____ 2,000 men in the UK found that 32 per cent of them did not wash their (3) _____ the toilet. However, social media reports that more men are washing their hands in public toilets (4) _____ of COVID-19. People on Twitter wrote that a month ago, it was unusual to see a man (5) _____ in a public toilet. Since the outbreak, more men have been washing their hands in public toilets. Dan McCoy, a writer from New York, said: "For once, there are lines in men's restrooms as coronavirus makes men wash their hands (6) _____ time."

Governments around the world (7) _____ importance of regular handwashing. This is not just after using the bathroom but also (8) _____. Doctors say regular handwashing is the best way to stop the spread of the coronavirus. Health authorities in the UK and USA have told people to wash their hands (9) _____ 20 seconds each time - or the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice. A caller into a UK radio (10) _____ the first time he realised men were washing their hands. It was when he stopped at the toilets (11) _____. He said: "There were eight sinks and men were washing their hands in all of them." He also said the men (12) _____ long time carefully washing their hands.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200308-handwashing.html>

1. How many men were there in a recent survey?
2. What percentage of men in the survey did not wash their hands?
3. Where were the reports on men now washing their hands more often?
4. Who is Dan McCoy?
5. What did Dan McCoy say he saw in men's restrooms?
6. Who did the article say stressed the importance of handwashing?
7. Who said handwashing was the best way to stop the spread of the virus?
8. How long did UK health authorities tell people to wash their hands for?
9. Where did a radio caller stop to go to the toilet?
10. How many sinks were in use in a public toilet a man went into?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200308-handwashing.html>

- 1) How many men were there in a recent survey?
 - a) 3,000
 - b) 2,500
 - c) 2,000
 - d) 4,000
- 2) What percentage of men in the survey did not wash their hands?
 - a) 32%
 - b) 18%
 - c) 57%
 - d) 86%
- 3) Where were the reports on men now washing their hands more often?
 - a) social media
 - b) a medical journal
 - c) the TV
 - d) newspapers
- 4) Who is Dan McCoy?
 - a) a mask maker
 - b) a writer
 - c) a doctor
 - d) a hospital patient
- 5) What did Dan McCoy say he saw in men's restrooms?
 - a) soap
 - b) you don't want to know
 - c) the virus
 - d) lines
- 6) Who did the article say stressed the importance of handwashing?
 - a) old people
 - b) world governments
 - c) pharmacists
 - d) Dan McCoy
- 7) Who said handwashing was the best way to stop the spread of the virus?
 - a) doctors
 - b) Dan McCoy
 - c) the IMF
 - d) pharmacists
- 8) How long did UK health authorities tell people to wash their hands for?
 - a) 10 seconds
 - b) 30 seconds
 - c) 20 seconds
 - d) a minute
- 9) Where did a radio caller stop to go to the toilet?
 - a) a hospital
 - b) a shopping mall
 - c) McDonald's
 - d) a highway
- 10) How many sinks were in use in a public toilet a man went into?
 - a) 8
 - b) 7
 - c) 6
 - d) 5

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Toilets

You think toilets are the dirtiest things. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't so dirty. Also, tell the others which is the cleanest of these (and why): bus seats, ticket machines or computer keyboards.

Role B – Bus Seats

You think bus seats are the dirtiest things. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't so dirty. Also, tell the others which is the cleanest of these (and why): toilets, ticket machines or computer keyboards.

Role C – Ticket Machines

You think ticket machines are the dirtiest things. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't so dirty. Also, tell the others which is the cleanest of these (and why): bus seats, toilets or computer keyboards.

Role D – Computer Keyboards

You think computer keyboards are the dirtiest things. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why their things aren't so dirty. Also, tell the others which is the cleanest of these (and why): bus seats, ticket machines or toilets.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200308-handwashing.html>

1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'hands' and 'virus'.

hands	virus

- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• spread• recent• social• month• writer• lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• stressed• just• best• 20• highway• time
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HANDWASHING SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about handwashing in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

HANDWASHING DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. What did you think when you read the headline?
2. What images are in your mind when you hear the word 'virus'?
3. How important is it to wash our hands?
4. How often do you wash your hands?
5. Do you now worry about what you touch?
6. How worried are you about COVID-19?
7. Have your handwashing habits changed since the coronavirus outbreak?
8. How often should we wash our hands?
9. Why don't men wash their hands so often?
10. What are you doing to avoid the coronavirus?

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HANDWASHING DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

11. Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
12. What do you think of when you hear the word 'handwashing'?
13. What do you think about what you read?
14. What has your government told you about handwashing?
15. Do you think people are worrying too much about the coronavirus?
16. What do you think of the 20-second rule?
17. Do you now avoid touching things when you go out?
18. What do you think of the news coverage of COVID-19?
19. What do you think the COVID-19 situation will be like in six months?
20. What questions would you like to ask experts on the coronavirus?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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Governments around the world have (7) _____ the importance of regular handwashing. This is not just after using the bathroom but also (8) _____ the day. Doctors say regular handwashing is the best way to stop the spread of the coronavirus. (9) _____ authorities in the UK and USA have told people to wash their hands for at (10) _____ 20 seconds each time - or the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice. A caller into a UK radio station spoke about the first time he realised men were washing their hands. It was when he (11) _____ at the toilets on a highway. He said: "There were eight sinks and men were washing their hands in all of them." He also said the men were spending a long time (12) _____ washing their hands.

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. | (a) taken | (b) had | (c) done | (d) made |
| 2. | (a) resent | (b) recently | (c) relent | (d) recent |
| 3. | (a) used | (b) using | (c) uses | (d) usage |
| 4. | (a) for | (b) by | (c) since | (d) as |
| 5. | (a) stinks | (b) sins | (c) sinks | (d) slinks |
| 6. | (a) once | (b) only | (c) one | (d) ones |
| 7. | (a) pressed | (b) stressed | (c) pressured | (d) anxious |
| 8. | (a) throughout | (b) thoroughly | (c) thought | (d) thorough |
| 9. | (a) Healthy | (b) Health | (c) Healthful | (d) Healthfully |
| 10. | (a) last | (b) lest | (c) least | (d) lost |
| 11. | (a) stooped | (b) stepped | (c) stopped | (d) strapped |
| 12. | (a) caring | (b) careful | (c) cared | (d) carefully |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. piecsalely after going to the toilet
2. A recent urvsey of 2,000 men
3. ocsail media
4. Since the urbteoak
5. washing their hands in bpiulc toilets
6. lines in men's sroroems

Paragraph 2

7. the potriamcne of regular handwashing
8. roguthhuot the day
9. stop the persad of the coronavirus
10. Health histuerioat
11. the first time he lsdraiee
12. eyllcuarf washing their hands

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200308-handwashing.html>

Number these lines in the correct order.

- () least 20 seconds each time - or the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice. A caller into a UK radio station spoke
- () Governments around the world have stressed the importance of regular handwashing. This is not just after
- () to see a man using the sinks in a public toilet. Since the outbreak, more men have been washing
- () about the first time he realised men were washing their hands. It was when he stopped
- () often, especially after going to the toilet. A recent survey of 2,000 men in the UK found that 32 per cent of them did
- () their hands in public toilets. Dan McCoy, a writer from New York, said: "For once, there are lines in men's
- () using the bathroom but also throughout the day. Doctors say regular handwashing is the best way to stop the
- (**1**) The spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus has made more men wash their hands more
- () all of them." He also said the men were spending a long time carefully washing their hands.
- () not wash their hands after using the toilet. However, social media reports that more men are washing their hands in public
- () restrooms as coronavirus makes men wash their hands for the first time."
- () toilets since the outbreak of COVID-19. People on Twitter wrote that a month ago, it was unusual
- () at the toilets on a highway. He said: "There were eight sinks and men were washing their hands in
- () spread of the coronavirus. Health authorities in the UK and USA have told people to wash their hands for at

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. their men more hands more Made wash often .
2. toilet . hands their Wash the after using
3. in toilets . Men their hands washing are public
4. to the Unusual a using sinks . man see
5. men's For in restrooms . lines there once, are
6. the world around Governments stressed the have importance .
7. bathroom . is just not using after This the
8. hands seconds . Wash 20 at least for their
9. stopped toilets on at the a He highway .
10. carefully a washing long hands . their Spending time

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200308-handwashing.html>

The spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus has *made / done* more men wash their hands more often, especially after *gone / going* to the toilet. A recent survey of 2,000 men in the UK *found / finds* that 32 per cent of them did not wash their hands after *use / using* the toilet. However, social media reports that more men are washing their hands *on / in* public toilets since the outbreak of COVID-19. People on Twitter *written / wrote* that a month ago, it was *unusual / unusually* to see a man using the *stinks / sinks* in a public toilet. Since the outbreak, more men have been washing their hands in public toilets. Dan McCoy, a writer from New York, said: "For *twice / once*, there are lines in men's restrooms as coronavirus makes men wash their hands *for / by* the first time."

Governments around the world have *stress / stressed* the importance of regular handwashing. This is not just after using the bathroom but also *throughout / thoroughly* the day. Doctors say *regulate / regular* handwashing is the best way to stop the *spread / speared* of the coronavirus. Health authorities in the UK and USA have told people to wash their hands for at *last / least* 20 seconds each time - or the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice. A *caller / called* into a UK radio station spoke about the first time he realised men were washing *them / their* hands. It was when he *stopped / stooped* at the toilets on a highway. He said: "There were eight sinks and men were washing their hands in *every / all* of them." He also said the men were spending a long time *carefully / careful* washing their hands.

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2003/200308-handwashing.html>

the spread of the covid19 coronavirus has made more men wash their hands more often especially after going to the toilet a recent survey of 2000 men in the uk found that 32 per cent of them did not wash their hands after using the toilet however social media reports that more men are washing their hands in public toilets since the outbreak of covid19 people on twitter wrote that a month ago it was unusual to see a man using the sinks in a public toilet since the outbreak more men have been washing their hands in public toilets dan mccooy a writer from new york said for once there are lines in mens restrooms as coronavirus makes men wash their hands for the first time

governments around the world have stressed the importance of regular handwashing this is not just after using the bathroom but also throughout the day doctors say regular handwashing is the best way to stop the spread of the coronavirus health authorities in the uk and usa have told people to wash their hands for at least 20 seconds each time or the time it takes to sing happy birthday twice a caller into a uk radio station spoke about the first time he realised men were washing their hands it was when he stopped at the toilets on a highway he said there were eight sinks and men were washing their hands in all of them he also said the men were spending a long time carefully washing their hands

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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The spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus has made more men wash their hands more often, especially after going to the toilet. A recent survey of 2,000 men in the UK found that 32 percent of them did not wash their hands after using the toilet. However, social media reports that more men are washing their hands in public toilets since the outbreak of COVID-19. People on Twitter wrote that a month ago, it was unusual to see a man using the sink in a public toilet. Since the outbreak, more men have been washing their hands in public toilets. Dan McCoy, a writer from New York, said: "For once, there are lines in men's restrooms as coronavirus makes men wash their hands for the first time." Governments around the world have stressed the importance of regular handwashing. This is not just after using the bathroom but also throughout the day. Doctors say regular handwashing is the best way to stop the spread of the coronavirus. Health authorities in the UK and USA have told people to wash their hands for at least 20 seconds each time - or the time it takes to sing "Happy Birthday" twice. A caller to a UK radio station spoke about the first time he realised men were washing their hands. It was when he stopped at the toilet on a highway. He said: "There were eight sinks and men were washing their hands in all of them." He also said the men were spending a long time carefully washing their hands.

HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about this news story. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. HANDWASHING: Make a poster about handwashing. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. GLOVES: Write a magazine article about requiring people to wear gloves in public to stop the spread of COVID-19. Include imaginary interviews with people who are for and against this.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on handwashing. Ask him/her three questions about it. Give him/her three of your ideas on how to get people to wash their hands more often. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

VOCABULARY (p.4)

1. d 2. f 3. b 4. g 5. c 6. e 7. a
8. n 9. k 10. m 11. h 12. i 13. l 14. j

TRUE / FALSE (p.5)

- a F b T c T d T e F f F g F h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.5)

1. b	2. e	3. g	4. j	5. h
6. d	7. i	8. a	9. f	10. c

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.9)

- Two thousand
- 32%
- Social media
- A writer
- Lines
- World governments
- Doctors
- Twenty seconds
- A highway
- Eight

WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER (p.20)

- Made more men wash their hands more often.
- Wash their hands after using the toilet.
- Men are washing their hands in public toilets.
- Unusual to see a man using the sinks.
- For once, there are lines in men's restrooms.
- Governments around the world have stressed the importance.
- This is not just after using the bathroom.
- Wash their hands for at least 20 seconds.
- He stopped at the toilets on a highway.
- Spending a long time carefully washing their hands.

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.10)

1. c 2. a 3. a 4. b 5. d 6. b 7. a 8. c 9. d 10. a

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)