

STUCK AT HOME BECAUSE OF A DEADLY VIRUS!



Hi guys !My name is Steve, I am thirteen and I live in the suburbs of London in a small house with my parents, Garrett and Kate and my two sisters Ann, seven and my other little sister Sue who is two. Mum stopped sending us to school a few days ago and the government decided to close all schools in the UK last Friday. But why ?Well, like millions of people in the world we are stuck at home to help slow down the transmission of that deadly virus : the Covid -19 which attacks people's lungs, also called Corona virus because it looks like a crown ,bloody crown I would say. It all started in a city in China, Wuhan in December 2019 from some bats and pangolins on a market. Then,they decided total confinement there, but because of all the means of transport and people travelling it has slowly spread all through the entire world with countries more or less worried .At first we were asked to wash our hands regularly, to cough in our elbows and respect distances between people, but people didn't really realize the threat, so in Europe the situation got terrible in Italy first where total confinement was decided followed by Spain, France etc .So now we must all stay at home as much as possible, teachers send us work thanks to the internet, when it works !!!! Then we play games (video games or board games) we read, we watch TV or listen to music. Mum is working from home as well, but Dad, has to go to work as he is a doctor in the Royal Brompton Hospital in London !He is getting very worried because he sees more and more ill people, and this illness is very dangerous for older people and fragile ones. Thank God, we have a little back garden, because staying all confined can be scary sometimes, especially when my little sister Sue starts crying. I can't imagine how people manage in small apartments in big buildings. But as Dad says, I am afraid this is what we all have to do if we want to slow down the propagation of that virus and save as many lives as possible. So take care of yourselves and your dear ones because the vaccine isn't going to arrive until the end of the year or next year!!

And don't forget to thank doctors and nurses for all their work!!!!



1-READ THE TEXT AND SAY IF THESE STATEMENTS ARE TRUE (verdaderas) or FALSE (falsas)

- a. The boy speaking is called John FALSE (He is called Steve)_____
- b. He is English from London TRUE_____
- c. He lives with his parents and two sisters _____
- d. He can go to school at the moment _____
- e. We are staying at home because of an epidemic _____
- f. This started in a province of China _____
- g. At first most people didn't realize the seriousness of the situation _____
- h. The situation was difficult in Italy first _____
- i. The virus attacks people's lungs. _____
- j. His Dad works in a hospital in London _____
- k. It is dangerous for old people only _____
- l. We should thank doctors and nurses for their work _____

SCHOOL STRIKE FOR THE CLIMATE



Greta Thunberg is a climate activist. She is Swedish and she is 17 years old. Her mother, Malena Ernman, is an opera singer, and her father, Svante Thunberg, is an actor. She has a younger sister, Beata, who is a popular singer in Sweden. Greta is unhappy because all governments are doing too little to fight climate change. Her request is that the Swedish government should reduce carbon emissions in accordance with the **PARIS AGREEMENT** signed in 2016.

For this reason in August 2018 she started protesting sitting on the steps of the Parliament building in Stockholm every day during school hours for three weeks with the sign "School strike for the climate"

After the general elections she continued to strike only on Fridays gaining worldwide attention. In December 2018 she spoke at the United Nations Climate Change conference in Poland, where she criticized governments for their inaction. Invited to speak at the UN Climate Action Summit in New York City in September 2019, Thunberg traveled across the Atlantic on a zero-emissions yacht, accompanied by her father.

She inspired school students across the globe to take part in student strikes. She stopped eating meat and buying anything that is not absolutely necessary. In 2015 she stopped flying on airplanes. Her family has installed solar batteries and has started growing their own vegetables.

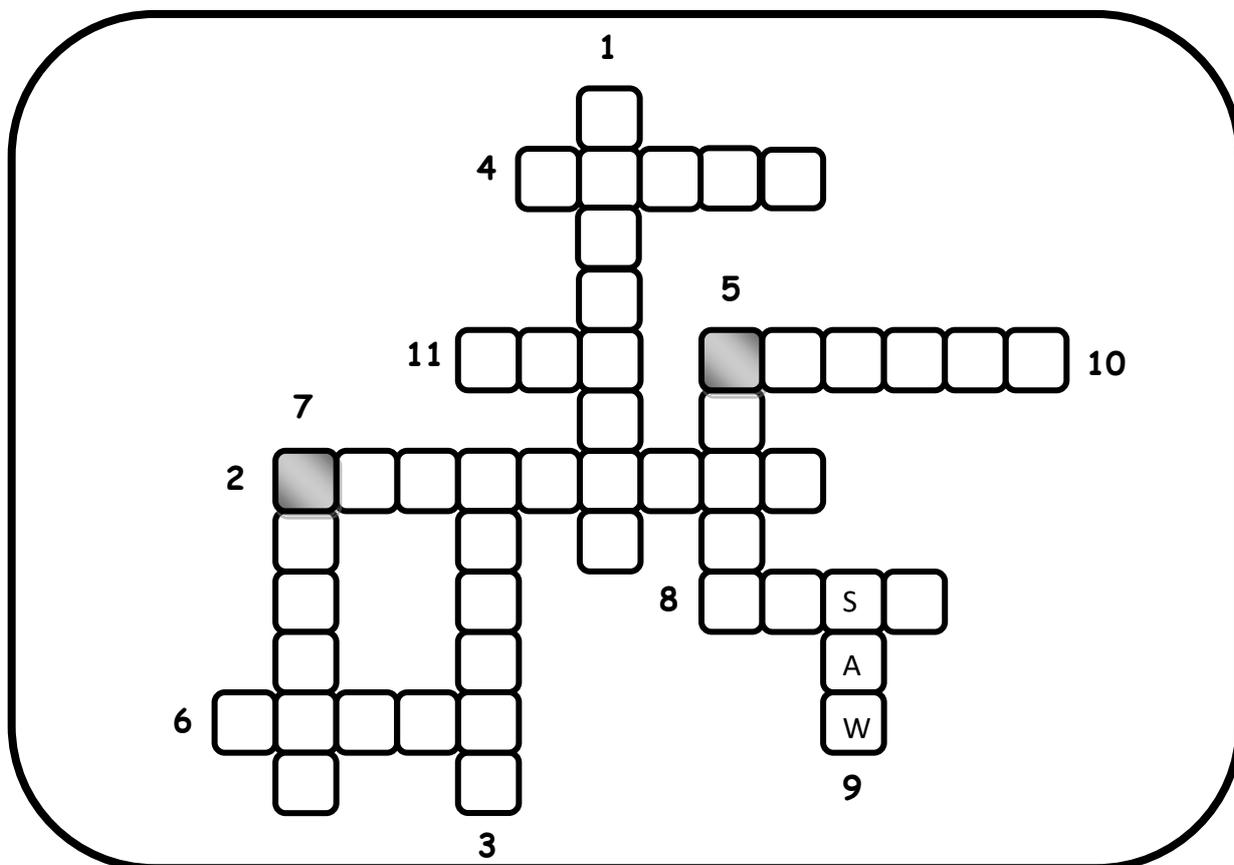
Thunberg was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in March 2019. She didn't win it but a few months later she became the youngest individual ever to be honored as *Time's* magazine Person of the Year.

Taking a year off of school to campaign for climate action, Thunberg plans to travel to Mexico, Canada and South America to meet with environmental activists and see firsthand the regions most affected by climate change.

2-Read the article and answer : (Podés usar un traductor)

- 1- How old is Greta?** _____
- 2- Is she from Paris?** _____
- 3- Why is she unhappy?** _____
- 4- What did she do in August 2018?** _____
- 5- Did she stop eating meat?** _____
- 6- Did she travel to New York City by plane in 2019?** _____
- 7- Did she win the Nobel Peace Prize in 2019?** _____
- 8-What countries is she going to visit?** _____

3-Simple Past Crossword



1. First I my homework then I went out to play.
2. Yesterday I to music.
3. I home today, I didn't go out.
4. Wein Paris 3 years ago.
5. Sam down and broke his foot.
6. Last week I an email to my friend.
7. Suddenly he a loud noise.
8. Yesterday I my jacket at school.
9. I my teacher in the park but I didn't say hello.
10. I a lot of money on the street.
11. I very angry so I shouted at my friend but I was wrong.

- Use the past of these verbs: FINISH, FIND, BE, LOSE, LISTEN, LIVE, SEE, WRITE, HEAR, STAY, FALL. (Recordá usar la lista de verbos irregulares; los verbos que no están ahí son regulares y se les agrega "ED" al final)

Nombre : _____

Curso y escuela : _____

