

S.6 English Language

Topic: Should You Be Worried About the Coronavirus?

Week: 2nd Week (10-14 Feb)

1. Which word in paragraph 1 has the same meaning as “virus”?
2. According to paragraph 3, which trade in China has come under fire? Why?
3. According to paragraph 4, with the haunting memory of SARS, what has China done to cope with the new outbreak?
4. In paragraph 6, why does Dr. Markel note that the quarantine is only “doing little to prevent the virus’s spread”?
5. According to *Times* columnist Nicholas Kristof (paragraph 9), why is it too early to determine exactly how deadly or contagious the virus is?
6. According to paragraphs 13 and 14, why a coronavirus could also threaten the global supply chain of pharmaceuticals?
7. According to paragraph 16, what are the two adjectives that were used to describe the discrimination arise from the outbreak of the disease?
8. In paragraph 20, which word has the meaning of “*extreme dislike or fear of foreigners, their customs, their religions, etc.*”?
9. According to paragraph 20, why were Haitian people in the U.S. banned from donating blood in the 1980s?
10. Find a word or phrase in paragraphs 20 and 21 that has the same meaning of the followings:
i. _____ ii. _____ iii. _____ iv. _____

Meaning	Paragraph	Word/Phrase
<i>caused sth to continue</i>	20	i
<i>Made sth even worse</i>	20	ii
<i>begins to understand sth</i>	21	iii
<i>Sth that is unusual</i>	21	iv