

Contemporary Japan

General Discussion Areas - EXTRA CREDIT - COVID-19, your thoughts and experiences

This is an extra credit post and you can get up to 10 points. Please share your thoughts, daily experiences, struggles and observations of the ongoing situations related to COVID-19 in the US and in the world. We will discuss the issue related to COVID-19 and Japan later, but I would like to begin our discussion based on our daily experiences. Please share anything - your own thoughts, news stories, etc. on this issue. Of course you can discuss something on Japan too, but this topic is not limited to Japan.



Working During a Pandemic

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My experience during this crisis is quite different from the one I have seen and heard many other people are experiencing. I am working 30 hours a week at Starbucks in a drive-through. So many people are out of work, and it feels odd for me to be working more than average in a time where some are struggling to find or keep work. This is odd for me because I am experiencing something many people are not and I do not know how to feel about it. Should I feel guilty, grateful, both, I do not know. This week will also be an interesting one because the general surgeon and other health organizations have announced that this week will see the highest spread rate of the virus in the United States. I am very interested to see how the virus actually spreads and if this projection is correct, and how our country responds to it. Will the whole country go into a shelter in place order like California has imposed, or will we remain in the state we are in today? This is an interesting time for us to be alive during, and I am truly curious as to how our lives will be affected by this virus once the crisis is over.