

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.

Coronavirus Situation

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I think that this situation we are in now is very scary. And I think that it is scary mostly because everything currently is in the unknown. We are unsure how long this could go on or if it will get worse. Not knowing these things creates a lot of anxiety in people. We are used to knowing a lot of stuff from the news and articles. This situation is not like anything a lot of us have seen. There have been a lot of outbreaks of bad diseases but nothing like this. I remember when Ebola was a big deal and it was supposed to be "the most deadly" and we weren't put in a lockdown situation like this. But this disease is spreading a such a rapid rate that it's super important for us right now to stay home so we can slow down this virus.

The virus to me is especially scary because I suffer with asthma. So to think that there is a disease going around that attacks the lungs makes me very anxious. I am being very cautious with what I do. For the past two weeks, I have just been sitting in my house and I haven't gone out anywhere. I hate this though because I am a very social person and I love going out and doing fun things. I just hope we can find a solution for this soon.