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"I have not left my house in over a month. We live in a condo so even on the way out, we will encounter many people. I've been keeping busy by reading, doing our online homework, practising music, and spending time with my family. My mom is an essential worker so there are many days where she is working for over 12 hours. My parents are divorced, so I haven't seen my dad or my half-brother in almost two months. Despite this, I am much closer with my sister who is normally hours away at university. I now have time to try out new things and do things that I actually enjoy. I miss my friends a lot, but I've been keeping in touch with them by texting. Online schooling is not highly stressful, although it is definitely not as effective as actually being in our classroom. When I look outside our window, a typical view would be empty roads with families happily walking past every now and then. It's crazy how many people are now heading outside, it's normally rare to see a pedestrian on the streets, besides students heading to school."