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The coronavirus has affected everyone. We cannot see the virus, but we know it is there. Flu vaccines do not protect against this virus. To be safe, we have to take precautions by wearing a mask and gloves when we go outside.

This virus has affected me in two ways, which include my school life and my life at home. For my school life, the coronavirus has restricted me from going to school. It has affected me by not being able to go out and meet my friends and hang out with them. If the coronavirus was not here and we were not in quarantine, I could hang out with my friends and go for bike rides with them. Since the virus has gotten much serious, it has changed my whole way of life.

The virus is everywhere and we cannot seem to fight it. It would be much safer if we had nanorobots that can attack a virus and get rid of it. Even though we cannot go outside, it is very tempting to go out for a BBQ and just enjoy the day with my parents and siblings. I was looking forward this year to go on a long drive with my family and relax by the beach, possibly have a picnic and enjoy the hot, sultry day with lemonade. However, when the pandemic started, the whole world turned on its head. Nothing seems possible now, or at least it seems very difficult.

Since the pandemic started, there have been good times and bad times. The good that has come out of it is being able to spend more time with my family playing board games, watching movies, and hanging out at home. Throughout the pandemic, I've learned to always be considerate of everyone's needs. I have had bad times where I remember that I was sad that we couldn't go out or go to school.

I hope that the situation does not get worse and that everyone is safe and in good health. I hope that everything will go back to normal soon.