

What's going on this week?

New figures revealed on the 7th April by the Department of Transport show that only a very small proportion of people in the UK are still travelling during the lockdown period that the government have imposed during the COVID-19 outbreak. Visits to shops, museums and cafes in the UK have fallen by 85% since the coronavirus outbreak, according to data shared by Google. The government has supported Google in using data in this way.

Questions to discuss as a family

Q. How many journeys do we make, where do we go?

Suggestions: school, work, clubs, friends, park, shops, gym, family, etc. What are we doing in replacement of these trips? Talk about the changes we've made. What are some of the things we miss? What are the things we have liked?

Q. How or if we are communicating with people outside of our home, have we used technology to speak with our friends or family?

Q. If there are adults in our homes and families who have been working from home. What jobs do they do and how has this changed? Suggestions: Some people have jobs where they can work on computers and have virtual meetings where they can see each other and discuss things. This has meant lots of people have been travelling less.

Q. Can you make a list of some of the changes that we have made during this time? Suggestion: video call doctor appointment, online shopping, and school lessons at home.

Q. Do you think any of these changes will become the usual way we do things in future? If so, which and why? Watch this week's useful video and talk about the different cities and how different we think they would have looked before the lockdown period.

Reflection

During this period of lockdown, we have all had to make huge changes to our everyday lives to help to reduce the spread of COVID-19. We have changed how we shop, communicate and spend our time. Some of these changes may remain; we have had a period of time to reflect on our daily routines.



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Our Bible quote:

Psalm 23:4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

The Ascension

Having spent His last few days on Earth with His friends. Jesus makes one last appearance in an event called the Ascension.

What has changed for other people?

How we 'meet'. More people are using virtual meeting spaces to interact. Exercising. It is now easier than ever to exercise at home. Working. People are now working and completing school work from home.

Can you think of anything that has changed?

Essential or non-essential travel.

Government has said "You may only leave your home for very limited purposes, such as buying food and medicine, exercising once a day and seeking medical attention. You can travel to and from work but should work from home if you can." Which do you think these are?

1. Travelling to the post office to buy stamps for posting letters to keep in touch with family and friends
2. A joiner travelling to build a garden shed for a customer.
3. Travelling to buy a plant and chocolate from the local supermarket and leaving them on a family member's doorstep for their birthday.
4. Travelling to the office to work as internet at home is very slow.
5. Walking to a friend's house to have a quick chat, making sure social distancing rules apply.
6. A plumber travelling to fix a faulty boiler for a customer.
7. Travelling to the woods to go for a walk or bike ride.

Do you think what one person views as an essential journey might be viewed as a non-essential journey by someone else?

There are many ways to travel. How many different ways can you find to travel using just your body? E.g. hopping, jumping, running, skipping. Can you travel using two hands and two feet? What about two hands and one foot, just two hands, no hands or feet? Explore.

Design and make a junk model of a mode of transport e.g. car, train, aeroplane or bike. If you prefer, you could imagine what a vehicle in the future might look like and create that!



Create a map. This could be a map of your local area or a treasure map! Perhaps you could get someone in your home to use the map to find some treasure.

You can still travel to the shops to get food. Imagine that this week, you are in charge of this food shop! Write a list of all the items you would purchase. Can you find out how much each of your items costs? How much will your shopping list be in total?

Can you find out how sound travels? Does how loud or soft a sound is affect how far it travels?

Imagine you are going on a journey. You can travel anywhere you want! Think about where you will go, how you will travel there, who you will go with, how long it will take, what the journey will be like. Describe your journey.