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# Ideas for a project on Citizenship for the Esame di Stato

*Donatella Fitzgerald*



*“...per quanto riguarda temi come  
Cittadinanza e Costituzione "mi  
piacerebbe che quest'anno rientrasse il  
coronavirus .....- Vorrei cioè che gli  
studenti raccontassero da cittadini come  
hanno vissuto questo periodo, e come  
l'hanno vissuto rispetto alla  
costituzione".". ”*

# Preparing students for Cittadinanza and Costituzione during distance learning English lessons

- Help students organize their thoughts
- Guide them to reflect on their life during the COVID-19 Lockdown
- Revise the Italian Constitution
- Revise the Global Sustainable Development Goals
- Students prepare a map about their experience and in groups prepare a powerpoint presentation
- Present it to the class or make a video

<https://www.bbc.com/news/av/education-52230918/coronavirus-the-teenagers-still-learning-during-lockdown>



# Connect their experience during the Covid 19 Lockdown as citizens to the Italian Constitution



**e.g Article 13** Personal liberty shall be inviolable.

**e.g Article 16** Every citizen has the right to reside and travel freely in any part of the country, except for such general limitations as may be established by law for reasons of health or security

[https://www.senato.it/application/xmanager/projects/leg18/file/repository/relazioni/libreria/novita/XVII/COST\\_INGLESE.pdf](https://www.senato.it/application/xmanager/projects/leg18/file/repository/relazioni/libreria/novita/XVII/COST_INGLESE.pdf)



# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



## Which goals can you connect to Covid 19?

# UN Global Sustainable Development Goals

<https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/blog/covid19>



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## COVID-19



Amid the coronavirus pandemic, the SDGs are even more relevant today than ever before

Op-ed by Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, President of the [...]

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## THE 17 GOALS



# Connect the Covid 19 pandemic to the Global sustainable Development Goals

Reliable, affordable electricity is needed to keep people connected at home and to run life-saving equipment in hospitals

<https://news.trust.org/item/20200331134807-w6a0h>



## OPINION: Power in a pandemic - why energy access matters during coronavirus

By [Camille Dupuy](#) | [@Camille5027](#) | [@ferd111](#)  
\*Tuesday, 21 March 2020 12:05 GMT



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We focus on the human and development impacts of climate change

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# Powerpoint lesson on your experience during the Covid 19 pandemic as a citizen

- 6 Slides
  - 
  - Introduction to Covid 19 and the Italian Constitution
  - Covid 19 and the Global Sustainable Goals
  - Education and Free time
  - People in your life
  - Your Emotions
  - The future what have you learnt from this experience
- 
- Students can work together to create a group presentation on google slides



# Education and free time

- How did you organize your day?  
Didattica a Distanza – how did you find this experience – what were the positive aspects
- What new skills have you learnt?
- How did you spend your free time?
- Your hobbies during Covid 19



# People in your life

- Your family, friends, relatives
- How did you meet them and keep in touch?
- How was life with your classmates
- People where you live
- Did you help anyone?

<https://www.businessinsider.com/how-to-throw-zoom-party-custom-background-friends-family-2020-3?IR=T>

## How to throw a perfect Zoom party with your friends and family



A few of my party guests and I used the custom background option in Zoom as fun conversation starters. Kat Tenborge/Business Insider

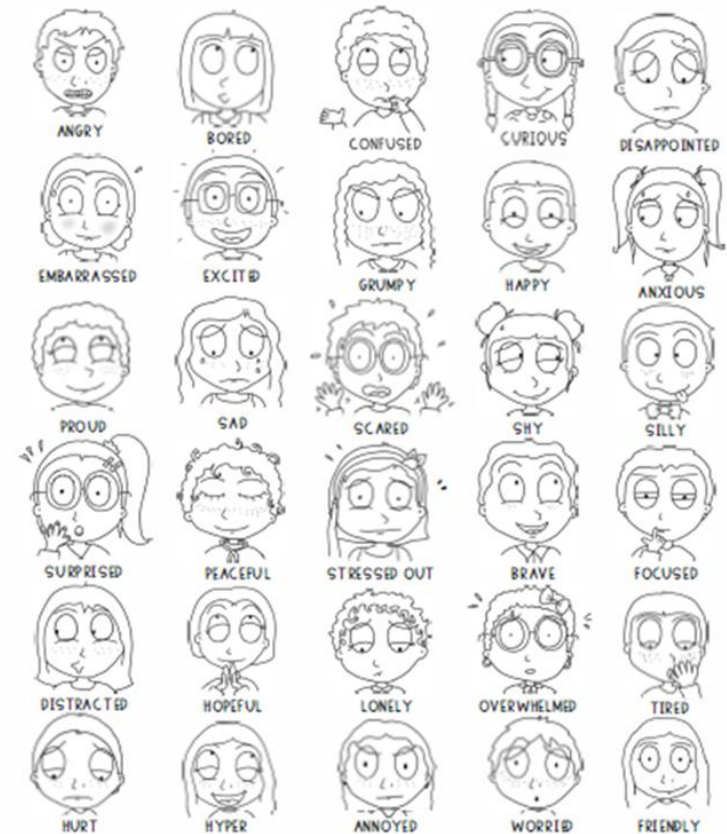
# Your emotions during Covid 19

- How did you feel?
- How did people around you feel?
- What things influenced your mood?
- What things helped you?
- Find a quotation which is relevant to Your experience

*“You may not control all the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them.” —Maya Angelou*

Kids Can English School

## HOW DO YOU FEEL?



# Summary slide on your life during Covid 19

What have you learned from this experience?

What will you do differently if it happens again?

How can you play your part in keeping the virus at bay?

Are you a different person

The future

What things will be different?

How will coronavirus change the world?

COMMENT & ANALYSIS



End on a positive note!



<https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20200331-covid-19-how-will-the-coronavirus-change-the-world>

***We know nothing about the future except that nothing is going to be the same again, that's why we should understand this situation and try to make the best out of it so that our future will shine brighter than our past.***

Student from Bari@ Research by Lia Perillo

# Hamlet and Coronavirus

To stimulate discussion and reflection

Read Article

*Amleto ai tempi del coronavirus*

By Mauro Spicci

Author Amazing Minds

Mauro Spicci, Amleto ai tempi del Coronavirus

## AMLETO AI TEMPI DEL CORONAVIRUS

Riprendendo i versi di T. S. Eliot, autore de *La Terra Desolata* (1922), una delle letterarie più influenti del XX secolo, potremmo facilmente definire il mese che stiamo vivendo - aprile 2020 - "the cruellest month" ("il mese più crudele"<sup>1</sup>, l. 1).

Aprile è il mese che, di norma, dà forza e vigore alla primavera, risveglia le radici dal torpore dell'inverno e fa comparire i fiori sugli steli. È il mese, come suggerisce Geoffrey Chaucer nell'incipit de *I Racconti di Canterbury*, nel quale la gente avverte il desiderio di rimettersi in moto e partire, chi per Canterbury, chi per le mete più svariate.

Nutrite la vostra mente di pensieri che vi portano al domani e continuate a farlo in maniera instancabile, proprio come Amleto. E come Amleto ciascuno di voi potrà dire: "I can be bounded in a nutshell, and count myself a king of infinite space". / "Io potrei viver confinato in un guscio di noce, e tuttavia ritenermi signore d'uno spazio sconfinato" (II.2.254-5). Soprattutto, continuate a guardare avanti e in alto. Il cielo stellato si vede già: è là, fuori dalla vostra finestra, e si chiama "domani".



Milano. 6 Aprile 2020

# Some Examples



## WHAT DID YOU LEARN?

With online learning, we become more autonomous and responsible. It wasn't easy to adapt to these videolessons but we found a way. Moreover, this experience made us more focused on the lessons and we realized how much normality is granted.

We learned that we shouldn't underestimate the little things because they are often important.

For example going out with friends for a walk may seem stupid thing but it's the thing we miss most in this quarantine period.



# QUARANTINE

Liceo Tacito  
Rome  
Stefania  
Foggia's Class

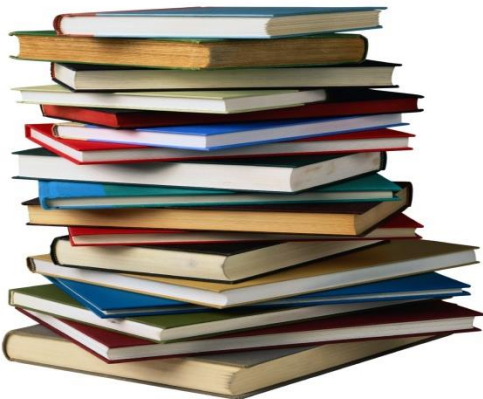
**To stay safe we must wash our hands and most importantly stay home to prevent the virus from spreading.**

There are many activities to do while in quarantine, for example:

Carolina likes reading books, watching tv series and playing board games with her brothers.

Dea likes doing yoga, listening to music, playing video games with her brother and drawing.

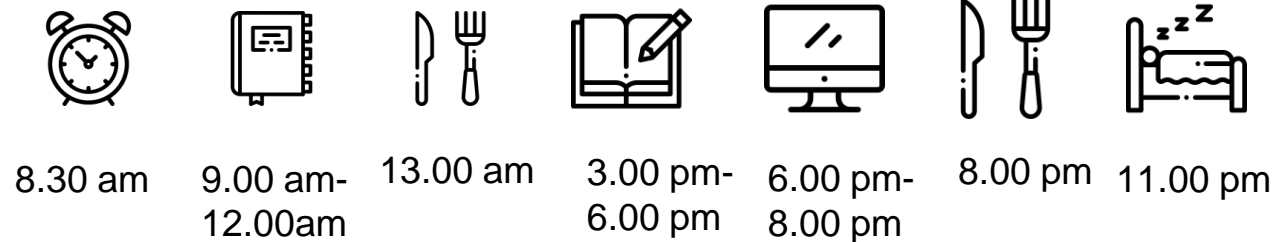
Sofia likes sleeping, painting and playing cards with her sister.





# EDUCATION AND FREE TIME

## ❑ Organization:



My daily routine has changed a lot, since it is not as organized as before. Having a different schedule, it's necessary to change habits. The new way of studying (didattica a distanza) turns out to have both positives and negatives: lessons are more informative, but sometimes are hard to follow, due to many distractions, such as using my phone.

## ❑ Hobbies and Free time:



I cook and try new recipes.



I play the guitar



I workout and do some physical exercise.



I read new books or read old ones again

I have more time to myself, to learn new skills, to perfect the learnt ones, to find new interests or just chill on the sofa are great options to spend time in quarantine, without forgetting to keep in touch with friends and workout.

## Our emotions during Covid 19

- There is a lot of uncertainty surrounding the future, so it is normal to feel anxious.
- I often feel stressed and worried for the health of those who I love.
- People around me share my feelings: it is quite common to find it difficult to deal with something that is bigger than us and that makes us feel powerless.
- My mood is influenced by the news concerning the pandemic and the evolution of the situation.
- Nevertheless, there are things that help me destress: reading, talking to my friends and relatives, and doing exercise.

**“The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience but where he stands in times of challenge and controversy.”**

—Martin Luther King Jr.



# <https://www.theguardian.com/society/bubonic-plague>

## Books blog / A Journal of the Plague Year by Daniel Defoe is our reading group book for May

This 1722 'potrait of the face of London now indeed strangely altered' offers a fascinating perspective on our current crisis

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