

LESSON THREE

TALK ABOUT COVID-19

A: Hi, Charles, haven't seen you for a long time. Where have you been? 喂，查理士，好久不见你，你到哪儿去了？

C: I came back from Europe recently. 我最近刚从欧洲回来。

A: My god! How was the epidemic in Europe? 我的天啊！欧洲疫情怎样？

C: You mean the covid-19, don't mention it, it is too serious, horrible. I stayed in Rome Italy last month and saw the situation in my own eyes. The covid-19 cases increased by thousands day by day and death by hundreds. It is said it is more serious right now. 你是说新冠肺炎吧，别提啦，非常严重，简直是恐怖。上个月我再意大利罗马，亲眼看见这种场面。确诊病例每天几千例，死亡几百例。现在据说更多了。

A: Did you have any solution to protect yourselves? 你有什么措施保护自己吗？

C: Yes, we did. We had to wear mask and wash hands frequently. We were advised to stay home; all the public activities were shut down and many stores were closed. Schools were closed too. We were advised to keep social distance of 6 feet. However, foreigners were seldom wearing masks when they were out. 有。我们必须戴口罩，勤洗手。信息告诉我们要呆在家里。所有的公共活动都取消了。很多商场都关门了。学校也停课了。告知我们要保持6英尺的社交距离。然而，老外除外却不戴口罩。

A: Is this virus easy to spread by air? 这种病毒很容易通过空气传染吗？

C: I am not sure. But I was told it is spread by sneezing, coughing and touching, so we must wear masks and clean our hands after we touch something. 我不肯定。我了解到的是这种病毒很容易通过打喷嚏，咳嗽和接触传染，所以我们必须戴口罩和接触东西后要洗手。

A: Are there any symptom if we have been infected? 感染后有什么症状吗？

C: It looks like flu but with serious dry cough, fever and short breath and weakness. 这个病看上去像流感但有更严重的干咳，发热，呼吸急促和无力感。

A: Is there any immune vaccine for this covid-19? 对这种病毒有什么免疫疫苗吗？

C: No, so far no. 没有，现在没有。

A: Are there any special medication for it? 有什么特效药吗？

C: Unfortunately, right now there is no either. 遗憾的是现在也没有。

A: What can we do to it? 哪怎么办啊？

C: Just as advised. Stay home, wear mask, wash hands and keep social distance. Do exercises as you can and eat well, sleep well. Covid-19 is kind of self-restricted epidemic virus. Don't worry too much, release the stress, it will pass someday. When winter comes, is spring far away?

就按公布的忠告，呆在家里，戴上口罩，勤洗手，保持社交距离。做些恰当的运动，吃好睡好。Covide-10 病毒是中自限性传染病毒。不用太担心，放下压力，疫情就会过去的。冬天来了，春天还会很远吗？

Sentence pattern

1. It is said
2. We are advised.
3. Where have you been?
4. Are there any...

Tips:

1. By air=airborne
2. So far
3. Self-restricted
4. Medication/meditation

Homework

1. 用英语说说自己防范新冠肺炎的做法
2. 用上面的句型各造一个句子
3. 熟读课文
4. 提一个问题