



What is Coronavirus?

A simple explanation for young children



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You might have heard your parents
and friends talking about coronavirus...but
what is it?

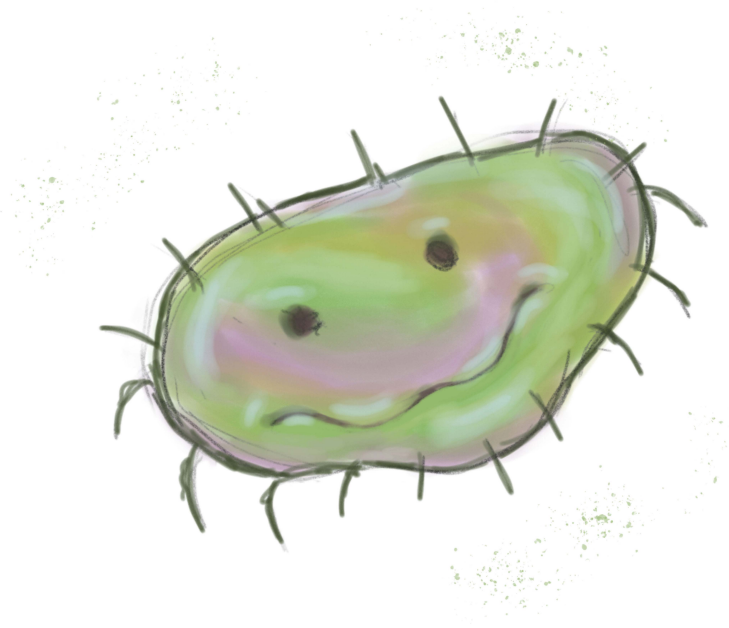


Coronavirus started in one part of the world, when one person became sick. They probably sneezed, and people around them caught those germs.



Now the germ is going around a lot of different places.





There are lots of different types of germs that can cause colds and make us feel unwell.

Coronavirus is a specific type of germ. It is also called COVID-19.

Most people who catch this germ will just feel a bit unwell - a runny nose, a cough, and maybe a bit of a fever.

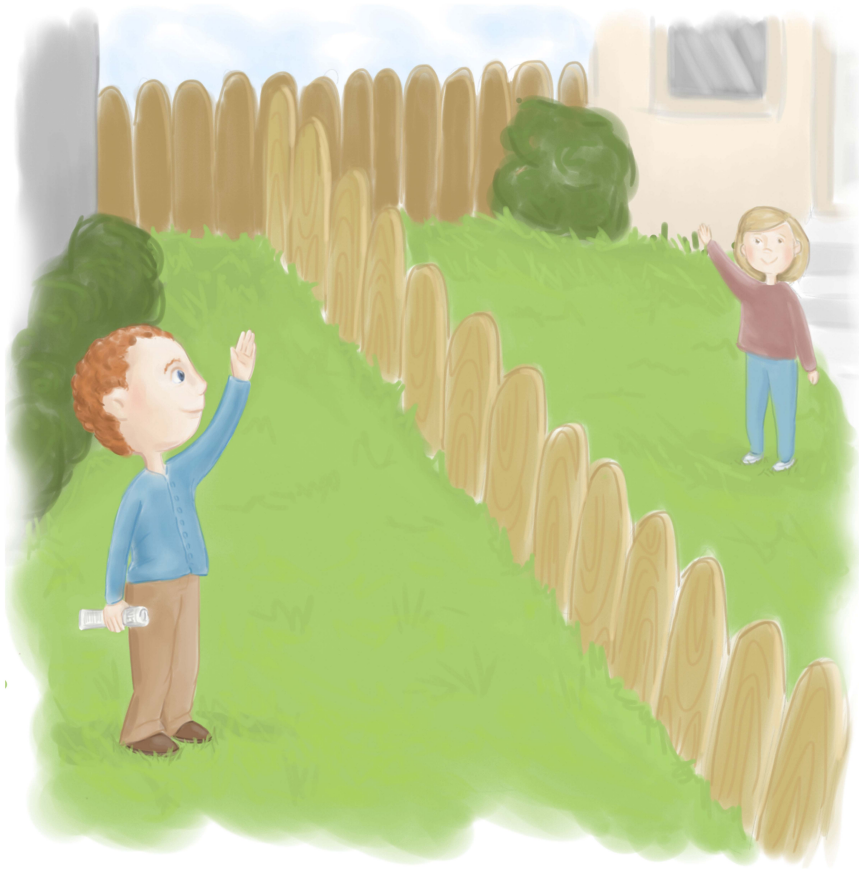




But, it can make some people, who are older or unwell, really sick.

We do not want to share germs and make each other sick. So lots of families are finding fun ways to spend more time at home.





When we do see a neighbor or a friend,
we will make sure to keep lots of space -
so that we do not share germs!

But this is only for a little while...until
everyone is healthy again!

Washing your hands is also very important
so that you do not get sick.

If you've been out and about,

or if you're about to eat...

wash your hands with soap and water,

while singing the happy birthday song!



No germs for me!

