

I first heard it at school in December. It was a bad disease going around in China. I felt okay because China is far away from the USA. People were getting nervous and scared, but we were okay because it wasn't in the US. My Mom and Dad heard it on the news.

Dear Journal,

It was March 16th, 2020. Our teacher Ms. Albin told us that school was closing until April 6th due to the Coronavirus. Ms. Albin told us to pack our stuff. We took our library books home and some other stuff too. Ms Albin said when we go back, the classroom will be really different because we were taking down our stuff like the calendar and the big agenda sheet. It is going to be very different.

I was very excited to go home because I don't really like school. Also, twenty-one days of VACATION!!! How lucky can you get!? Summer is ninety days. This is twenty-one. Even better: It is in the middle of the school year!!! I was so hyped up!

Some were happy, like me. Some were sad, like my sister. And some didn't even care, like my brother. It was going to be a good time. But... there was one flaw: I had a schedule! I mean, why can't I do this myself?

And that's how I survived the Coronavirus!

Dear Journal,

It is March 17th, 2020. I am currently at home doing school. My mom is our teacher. The day is 3 1/2 hours long. It goes from 9:00 to 2:00. 11:30 to 1:00 is free time and lunch. I thought that I would do it all by myself, but no. We have math, MAPE, life skills, Christian studies, reading, and writing.

I don't like it. At first, it was good, but now, it is school and more serious. So that is why I think I do not really like it. Otherwise, it was pretty decent and okay and stuff.

The best part is that we can sleep in until 8:30. But i don't. The worst part is that after the first couple of weeks, it gets more serious and we have to wear clothes.

So that's how I survived the Coronavirus!

Dear Journal,

In Eau Claire, the essential stores are only open. Also, the playgrounds are closed. The restaurants are open, but only for pick up and drive thru. Otherwise, the world is very, very different.

Right now, groceries stores are out of toilet paper, cleaning supplies, and much more stuff. Some really need food, medicine, gloves, masks, and other essential needs. We are in a desperate time.

Back about six weeks ago, the neighborhood was happy and peaceful and we were all outside enjoying ourselves. One week later, Corona came along and ruined our lives!!! Everyone was ordered to stay six feet away from each other, try not to go places, and much, much more! It is very, very, bad.

Right now, people are irritated and annoyed that the Coronavirus is spreading and going around. A rumor is that someone in China was going to try bat soup by killing a bat. Then, when he ate it, the bat was infected with some disease and then he got sick. This was in December 2019. The next day, he went to church, then, everyone there got sick and spread it everywhere they went. And that is how we got it.

That's how I survived the Coronavirus!

From, Jordan .

Dear Journal,

Right now, I'm feeling pretty happy because we just heard that school is canceled for the rest of the year. When mom told me, I was very happy. The bad news is that one of my best friends was sick on the last day. So I feel kinda sad about that.

I really hope that by June or July, people will feel better because I heard that an estimate is that May 22nd is our worst day of Corona. So I hope that I will get to see my friends in person soon. Until then, we shall be brainwashed by video games.

Our family is doing well. We were affected because my dad cannot go to the bank anymore where he works. So he works from home nowadays. My mom teaches us from 9:00 to 2:00. Today, I finished it all from 9:00 to 11:00

That's how I survived the Coronavirus!

From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

The Government said that the NBA is allowed to open practice facilities on May 1st. Also, Trump told us that things should be back to normal in a couple months. (June or July.) So when the time arrives, it will be freedom like never before.

My parents said that we need to stay six feet apart or arms length. Also, we need to wear masks everywhere we go. It is very important that we stay away from each other. My parents say that when we see people, we need to keep an arms length distance away.

Online schooling is okay. Luckily, it goes by very fast. We need to do four subjects. Math, reading, writing, and PEAM, my version of PE, art, and music. My parents are tired of staying home all day and teaching us. So that is why school is short 😊

That's how I survived the Coronavirus!
From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

So a typical day can be kinda boring because we do electronics or outside in our free time. I try to make the most of it, but it can still get boring. Luckily I have my computer that I go on every day and play Scratch and browse on the internet.

Today, I woke up early for no reason. I got on my favorite website, Scratch. There were 55 messages in my inbox, so I had to reply to them all. About 3/4 of them were activity from my studios that I'm in. The other fourth were project activity.

At 9:15 am, I started school. I started with reading, then math, then foundations, and now this. I had a long day and had a big break in between foundations and this. Otherwise, it was raining today, so we could not go outside today. :(

Okay so that is it so far on today. And that's how I survived the coronavirus!
From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

The top 3 things that I wanna do when we get out is to run outside free. I don't know when, but I hope soon.

#3. We will all get to touch each other again and play sports like basketball, baseball, football, and soccer. Those are all good sports that I like. Otherwise, we have bonfires with the neighbors and run around free. It will be awesome when we are free!

The top 2 things that I wanna do when we get out is to play at my friend's houses. I don't know when, but I hope soon.

#2. I will have them come over to mine, play video games, have sleepovers, and so much more! It will be so fun when we get out! Also, we get to go to stores like target and Walmart.

The top thing that I wanna do when we get out is to see everyone again!!! I don't know when, but I hope soon.

#1. I will get to go to ballgames, to the parks, to cookouts, see my cousins, and make up a new comic volume of a superhero with my cousins!

And that's how I Survived The Coronavirus!

From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

Today I felt happy that today was going to be a good day. Also, on Sunday, I got my first haircut and it was AWFUL. My dad cut about three inches!!!! Now my hair is short, and I hate it! I like it when my hair is nice and long on top. Otherwise, I feel weird. Well the coronavirus quarantine is a very weird time.

Also today I had a very good day so far! I talked to my friends, made tynker and scratch projects, and— I don't know what else to say. :P I feel happy right now. After I finished this, I will get to talk to my friends a little more and then we have a zoom call with my entire class.

And that's how I survived the coronavirus!

From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

Today was like any other normal day. I woke up at 6:30 (I'm still trying to wake up later...) and today we had school like any other day. I started at 9:00 am and then 10 minutes later, my sister ALREADY FINISHED FOR THE DAY!?!?! Well she started at 7:45 am and finished within 85 minutes. I started at 9:00 and it is exactly 10:00 am right now so I read for 20 minutes, I did math for 20 minutes, and I did language for 20 minutes. So 60 minutes total so far, stay tuned for the next 10 minutes 😊 probably not really.

So later today after my journal entry, I will do what I normally do and play video games and maybe go outside while SOCIAL DISTANCING. If we get too close, we can get sick. Otherwise, I will get back to making the next generation of the world's AI and play video games... so that is all I have to say for now and enjoy social distancing!!! (Well it really can be a pain, but get creative!)

And that's how I survived the coronavirus!

From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

Today I began schoolwork at 8:30 am and I did all of my work quickly. In math, I got 14 in a row, that's one away from releasing a golden flock! And guess what happened? I got it wrong!!!! What a bummer! I was super close to getting it but then I made a little mistake that ruined EVERYTHING!!!! So the lesson for that paragraph is that little mistakes can sometimes ruin everything! So always be careful!

Also, the rest of the day should be very good. Well, I hope it is. Lately, I've been doing schoolwork and playing outside and staying inside to play on my computer or watch YouTube videos. YouTube is known almost everywhere and is where the world watches videos! If you don't have cable, that's why there is Netflix and YouTube TV!

And that's how I survived the coronavirus!

From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

A few days ago, I got an email from Tynker. they want to feature me on tynker.com! I was happy when I showed my mom it. She said that there was going to be a video call from ten to twenty minutes. I was thrilled. I code on scratch and python. I also use tynker, obviously. My favorite website is scratch. Python can be hard to learn.


Today, I woke up with 59 new messages to read on scratch. My all time record is 206 messages. In second place is 175. In third place is 148. My low from one night for the past month is 3 messages. My average messages in one night is between 45 to 60 messages. Messages can be loves and favorites on your projects, comments, follows, studio messages, forums, and many more!

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From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

Today I am going to do some school work. I finished math and language and reading. Now I am typing this. I will not do much else today. I am bored right now. On Saturday, It is my grandparent's anniversary! So we may do something. I'm not too sure. But yesterday was my dads birthday! So we had a little celebration for him.

Also I have been playing a lot of a sport called "Corn hole". In corn hole,   you have four bean bags that you can throw on a board. There is a hole in the board, if it goes in the hole, it is worth three points. If it lands on the board, it is worth one point. There are two teams. 1-2 people can be on a team. I beat my sister and a neighbor all by my self 21-0!!! I am really good at the sport. I spent four hours practicing it on Monday!

And that's how I survived the coronavirus!

From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

Today it will be up to 71 degrees. So I will get to play outside in warm weather. Well, not like California, but maybe like Kentucky or Tennessee's average temperature. I asked my Alexa the average temperature in Kentucky for no reason and it will be 78 degrees today.

This morning, I went to a great donut place in Menomonie called "Donut Sam's". Donut Sam's is really good. My sister said that they were the best in the world! I liked them. My favorite flavor was Oreo crumble. We had to wake up at 6:30 am in order to get to Menomonie at 7:00 am, when they open. I am not a big fan of waking up early.

And that's how I survived the coronavirus!

From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

On Saturday, I went on a bike ride with my mom and my siblings. I lead from my house to Sherman Park. At Sherman park, I went down the trail on my bike. It was really fun! Mom, Jack, and Addie walked down and parked their bikes at the top. It was a bumpy ride. About a minute later, they arrived at the bottom. Then, we decided to bike to DeLong. My chain fell off on the way, so we had to turn back. It fell off on the way back too. The weird part was that it was on the same street! My mom fixed it both times. She is my hero. Otherwise, it was a great ride.

Also, I planted a tree. It was a small sapling that my mom picked out of the ground when she was weeding. My mom gave it to me and told me to plant it way out into the field. 10 minutes later, I still could not find a place for it. "Let it die, Jordan." My mom told me. But I did not. I found a place for it. And it lived!

And that's how I survived the coronavirus!

From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

Yesterday, I went to my aunt and uncle's private beach. It is in Hudson, Wisconsin at the St. Croix river. My other cousins were supposed to come, but they could not because of different reasons. But my other cousin came! So I wasn't bored. I went fishing with my older cousin for a while, and we actually caught a fish! The bad news was that it was a bass, and it was too small to cook. But we got a picture with it, then, we let it go. I also played with my baby cousin, Hallie. She was 11 months old. I also swam for a bit. I was there for six hours. Then we left. It was a fun day.

Today it will be warm so my mom will set up our little pool. It is 10 feet by 6 feet and it is rectangular. My mom also got a square pool with a bench in it for herself and my dad. Luckily, the rectangular pool is bigger, but takes a while to fill up. It is only 18 inches deep. So that is what I will do today.

And that's how I survived the coronavirus!

From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

Today it is raining here, so we may not do much today. Besides schoolwork. I am typing this as we speak. So yesterday, my family went to my grandparents house to help set up their new pool. It is 42 inches deep. My

parents spent an hour setting up the pool. But it takes eight hours to fill it up. We got there at noon. We didn't even start setting up until 1:00. We were there until six O clock. When we left, the pool was about nine inches deep. The pool was not even filled up until around 11 pm.

Today, it should stop raining very soon. So i may not do much today. Probably i will only get to see my neighbors a bit, play video games, and that is pretty much it. I may be bored, but when i play video games, i either do YouTube or this coding site called Scratch.mit.edu. It is my favorite website ever!

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From, Jordan.

Dear Journal,

Today I am not doing very much, just school. Besides that it will be 82 degrees today outside. Woohoo!! The warmest of the year so far. This years high so far was 79 degrees. So we set up our pool for the past couple days. So we may do it today to! Also at 2:00, we gave an all grade meeting.

On Saturday, it was my grandparents anniversary party so some of our family came over, like me, and some cousins. It was fun. But we had to practice social distancing still. The government said that places will now open but we still have to be a distance apart from each other. But one time, my aunt said that we should not social distance as a family. So we kept our distance by a few feet.

And that's how I survived the coronavirus!

From, Jordan.