<u>Lockdown</u>

Last year I heard a lot about a new virus. The virus, called corona virus first spread in China, then in Italy and soon the first positive case got reported in Austria.

The government released a packet of measurements, but more infected people were counted. March 16th 2020 was the beginning of the 1st corona lockdown, and everybody had to stay at home. That meant the beginning of homeschooling. Me and all the other 8,9 Austrian million adults and kids where completely overwhelmed. I had no idea how home schooling would work.

It was a total disaster, because nothing was properly organized. Beside the chaos in school, there was a big calamity in all the families. No one could visit their relatives and social contacts where completely cut down. This situation kept going on for 50 days and then we were finally back to school. But not for long, soon the second lockdown was announced.

This time it was better, because everybody knew what was approaching them. We also started video conferences via teams. Meanwhile we had a third and fourth lockdown, and every time the rules changed. But in the last lockdown, we could decide ourselves, if we wanted to go to school or not. Guess what? There were 92% of the students in our school!

I hate lockdowns, as I can't do what I want. I'm very glad, that this lockdown will end this weekend, and we will be able to socialize properly again.

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