

Additional/Optional tasks

These tasks are for those people that want something extra to do, both to extend their knowledge of HSC in general and the current HSC crisis. You don't have to submit any work, it's just in case you are bored!

Reading

Don't just read it! Question it!

Is the article from a reliable source?

Are any facts which the article presents, backed up with research and statistics?

Does the article show bias? How do you know?

Do you agree with any points of view presented in the article? Why? Why not?

Is there anything in the article that surprises/shocks you?

Coronavirus stories

Coronavirus: Here's how you can stop bad information from going viral - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-trending-51967889>

Coronavirus pandemic: tracking the global outbreak - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-51235105>

How the UK's coronavirus epidemic compares to other countries - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-52056111>

Coronavirus doctor's diary: Why are people stealing hospital supplies? - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-52078012>

Is the spread of Coronavirus in the UK really slowing down? - <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/mar/30/is-the-spread-of-coronavirus-in-the-uk-really-slowing-down>

'We drew up the plan over a brew' - inside operation Nightingale - <https://www.theguardian.com/society/2020/apr/01/we-drew-up-the-plan-over-a-brew-inside-operation-nightingale>

Coronavirus: Home abortions approved during outbreak - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/newsbeat-52092131>

'I can't know the children are safe': social workers' fears over lockdown - <https://www.theguardian.com/society/2020/apr/02/children-safe-social-workers-fears-lockdown-coronavirus>

Coronavirus: Scientists question school closures impact - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-52180783>

What is intensive care and which patients need it - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-52193264>

I know my life will not be saved in this pandemic - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-52193264>

UK doctors' coronavirus deaths highlight crucial role of BAME medics - <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/apr/03/uk-doctors-coronavirus-deaths-highlight-crucial-role-bame-medics>

Doctors face agonising life-death decisions - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-52137001>

My ICU is three times capacity. And still the coronavirus tide keeps coming - <https://www.theguardian.com/society/commentisfree/2020/apr/03/my-icu-is-three-times-capacity-and-still-the-coronavirus-tide-keeps-coming>

Coronavirus doctor's diary: A time when people say 'Have you got a will?' - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-52253612>

My working week: 'A mother arrives at our refuge with Covid-19 symptoms' -

<https://www.theguardian.com/society/2020/apr/13/my-working-week-mother-arrives-refuge-covid-19-symptoms>

Other HSC stories

Couple who opposed council vaccinating their child lose appeal -

<https://www.theguardian.com/society/2020/apr/02/couple-who-opposed-council-vaccinating-their-child-lose-appeal>

Blood test 'can check for more than 50 types of cancer' - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-52090359>

UK woman wins claim for NHS to pay US surrogacy costs -

<https://www.theguardian.com/law/2020/apr/01/uk-woman-wins-claim-for-nhs-to-pay-us-surrogacy-costs>

Life as a cancer patient - <https://www.theguardian.com/news/2019/sep/26/life-as-a-cancer-patient>

Listening

Don't just listen to it! Understand it!

Is there anything you don't understand? Look it up.

Could you add any key vocabulary from the programme to your glossary?

What do you think about the issues presented?

BBC sounds, NHS the front line - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/m000h65w>

BBC sounds, Inside Health - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000hmhc>

Watching

Don't just watch it! Fact check it!

Watch any of the 'documentary' style TV programmes – Ambulance, 24 Hours in A&E etc.

Observe the following:

Are staff meeting health and safety guidelines?

Are they promoting anti-discriminatory practice? How?

Are they empowering their service users? What are they doing?

Do you notice the difference between the roles and responsibilities of people carrying out different jobs?

Is there any multi-team or multi-disciplinary working happening?