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LI - write a balanced argument about staying at home during pandemic

Dear Mr Pear,

As you know, coronavirus has been affecting us recently. Due to this pandemic, life is difficult; we even have to stay at home most of the time since the government has issued a lockdown. In this balanced argument, I will be discussing about reasons to stay at home and to not stay at home during this period.

I would like to start this letter by saying that, if we stay at home, then the spread of coronavirus will not be so contagious and the rate of people having it shall lower. Families won't catch the virus so easily because if they did, then you will have to isolate for two weeks (but only if you have been in close contact with them). For these two reasons, the levels of coronavirus might lower more quickly and everything will be normal again, as it was before.

On the other hand, people may lose their jobs and with everyone staying at home, the staff may not receive enough money they need for their businesses. The result of this means people can not provide money for their families if they can not work. Even if people want new clothes, shoes, bags or jewelery, they will not be able to get them as those shops will be closed.

Staying at home can help the NHS too. With so many people getting symptoms of Covid-19, the NHS might not have enough items to provide all of the sick people. Therefore, staying at home can help both the NHS and everyone else. What if the staff members of the NHS get ill themselves, who will take care of the sick people then?

If you're staying at home, then you won't get enough exercise; the government's own health guidelines recommend that young people should exercise for at least 60 minutes a day. Children need to have fun and play outside, and breathe in fresh air.

In conclusion I believe that we should stay at home as it is more safe for our health but try sometimes to go out, but ensure that you are wearing a mask. What is your point of view, Mr Pear? Yours sincerely,

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