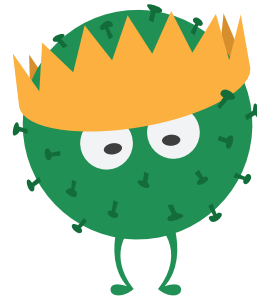


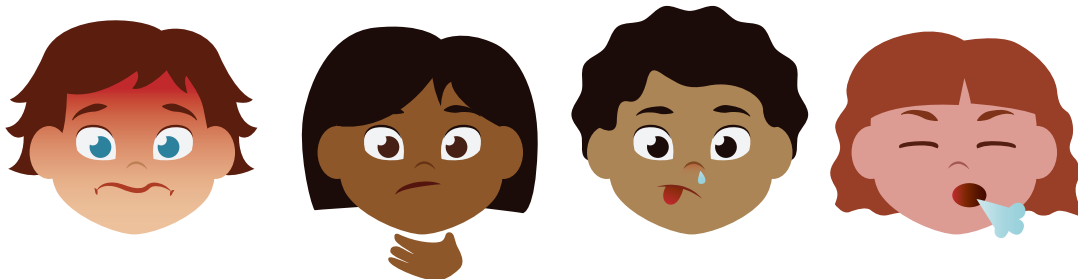
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**COVID-19** is a disease caused by a type of virus called a coronavirus. These look like they have little crowns on if you looked under a microscope. Coronaviruses are common across the world. So far there have not been many reported cases of children across the world.

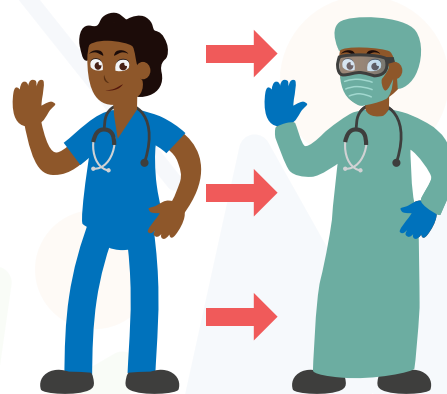


Coronaviruses often cause symptoms like those of the common cold, you may feel hot, (have a temperature/fever) a cough, sore throat or runny nose.



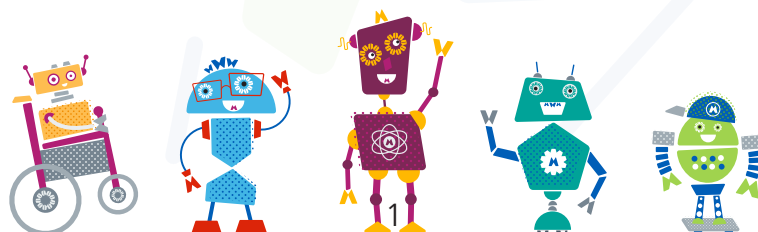
The virus spreads when people cough or touch things. This is why it is important to wash your hands really

well with soap and water. You will see we are carrying out extra cleaning in our hospital to help stop the spread of infection.



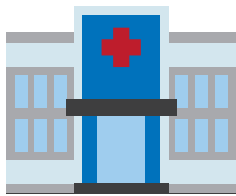
Some of the doctors and nurses looking after you may have to wear funny clothes. They are still smiling at you from behind their masks! They might need you and your

parent/carer to wear masks too – especially when you're moving through the hospital.



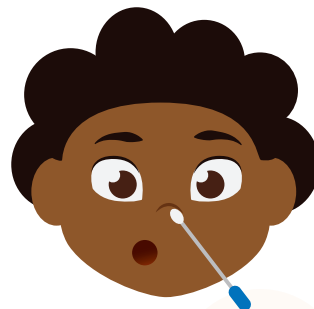
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Some children may need to stay in hospital and others will be able to go home and stay at home avoiding contact with other people.

Some children will need to be tested to see whether they have the virus. This will involve swabbing the inside of your nose and mouth. It's quite quick and shouldn't hurt although it may feel a bit uncomfortable. If you stay in hospital you might need to have another swab but your nurse will let you know.



The Play Team or nurses can bring you some toys to play with or things to do so you don't get too bored. You can bring things from home you like to play with too.



If you are feeling a bit down or worried about COVID-19, it's okay. Lots of people feel the same as you. It can help to speak to a grown-up.

