COVID-19 VOCABULARY

1. **Outbreak (n.), to break out (v.)**
The *outbreak* of the pandemic started in China. The news *broke out* that the government would restrict travel within the territory. What can *break out* – epidemics, war, news, scandals, crisis

2. **Lockdown (n.)**
A third of global population are on *lockdown* as of mid-March.

3. **Stay at home order**
The city has issued a *stay at home order* instructing all to shelter in place.

4. **Shelter in place**
*Shelter in place* means to seek safety within the building one already occupies, rather than evacuate the area.

5. **Social distancing**
*Social distancing* measures can prevent the spread of contagious diseases.

6. ** Flatten the curve**
The UK has reported the early stages of *flattening the curve* in the number of COVID-19 cases.

7. **PPE – personal protection equipment**
Some domestic companies have set out to manufacture *PPE* in order to meet the increasing demand.

8. **Furlough (n./v.)**
*Furlough* employees are granted temporary leave due to special needs of a company or employer, which arise from economic conditions.

9. **Forbearance**
*Forbearance* is colloquially called *loan holiday*.

10. **Deferred payment**
The bank has granted mortgage *payment deferral* to all customers who were able to prove a significant loss of income.

11. **Grace period**
A grace period of 30 days will be approved to all individuals whose ID cards and passports are set to expire in April.

12. Debt/tax relief or forgiveness
   More than 100 global organisations want debt payments to be waived for developing countries affected by the pandemic.

13. Stimulus package
   Japan declares coronavirus emergency and approves a $1 trillion stimulus package.

14. WFH/remote working
   We have introduced a work from home scheme at our company and now all our staff are working remotely.