



BBC WORLD SERVICE LEARNING ENGLISH

Health: Swine Flu
健康：猪流感



bbcchina.com.cn

Health: Swine Flu 健康: 猪流感

Swine Flu Prompts Karaoke Boom 猪流感引发卡拉OK热

The global **pandemic** that is **Influenza H1N1**, more commonly known as **swine flu**, continues its **rapid** and **virulent spread**. The World Health Organisation reported the number of **infected** people to have reached 9,830 across 40 countries.

The **virus**, which is thought to have originated in Mexico, has now spread as far south as Australia and as far east as Japan. With over 170 reported cases, Japan has one of the highest instances of infection in Asia.

In response, Japan, like many other badly infected regions, has tried to **contain** any further spread of the virus. One measure taken has been the **temporary closure** of 4,000 schools, colleges and nurseries in and around Hyogo and Osaka.

Students have been advised to stay at home until further notice but a few **restless** individuals have found a more entertaining and musical way to spend their new-found **free time**.

It appears some Japanese students are not spending their time **worrying** about the virus, but spending it practising their singing instead.

In fact, a few **karaoke** club owners in Japan have reported **record numbers** of customers. One club manager told the AFP news agency: "We suddenly had a number of high school students after 2pm yesterday, right after the announcement that schools would close for a week."

Neither students **nor** club owners appear overly worried about the virus. So just how **concerned** should they be?

Well, according to a recent statement from Dr Margaret Chan, Director General of the World Health Organization: "With the exception of the **outbreak** in Mexico, which is still not fully understood, the H1N1 virus tends to cause very **mild illness** in otherwise healthy people. Outside Mexico, nearly all cases of illness, and all deaths, have been detected in people with **underlying chronic conditions**."

Glossary 词汇表

pandemic - (疾病)普遍流行的	restless - 焦躁不安的
influenza – (医) 流行性感冒	free time – 空闲时间
swine flu – 猪流感	worrying – 忧虑
rapid - 迅速的	karaoke – 卡拉 OK
virulent - 致命的, 致病性的	record numbers – 创纪录人数
spread – 传播	neither...nor... - 即不...也不... (两者都不)
infected – 被传染了	concerned - 担心
virus – 病毒	outbreak - 爆发
contain – 控制	mild illness - 轻微的病状, 小病
temporary closure – 暂时关闭	underlying chronic condition – 固有的长期疾病

1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

Are these sentences true or false? Circle the correct answer.

以下句子哪句是真?哪句是假? 请圈出正确答案。

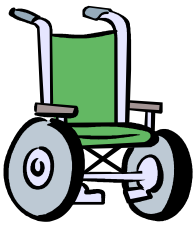
1. Influenza H1N1 is more commonly known as swine flu. **True / False**
2. Japan has one of the highest occurrences of swine flu in Asia. **True / False**
3. Some Japanese schools have been closed-down forever as a result of the swine flu pandemic. **True / False**
4. Karaoke clubs in Japan are receiving fewer students than normal. **True / False**
5. A representative from the World Health Organisation says that when healthy people catch swine flu, they will usually just suffer from mild illness. **True / False**

2. Label the Pictures 标注图片

Look at the pictures below. Match a word in the box with each picture. Write the name of the object underneath the picture.

请看下列图片。请将物品名称写在图片下面。

hospital drip wheelchair stethoscope X-ray
pills doctor syringe nurse ambulance



1. _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____



7. _____



8. _____



9. _____



10. _____

3. Odd One Out 挑出另类词

A. Circle the odd one out.

请挑出另类词并画圈。

1. a) cautiously
b) carefully
c) carelessly
2. a) rapidly
b) gradually
c) slowly
3. a) strangely
b) normally
c) abnormally
4. a) accidentally
b) intentionally
c) deliberately

B. Use the circled words to complete these sentences.

用以上的另类词来完成下面的句子。

- i) *The virus appears to be spreading very _____.*
- ii) *Some people are not following advice and they are _____ putting others at risk.*
- iii) *Some people have _____ infected their close family and friends.*
- iv) *Most healthy people can go about their every day activities quite _____.*

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the modal verbs associated with giving advice in the puzzle below.

There are ten words to find. Words can be written horizontally (→), vertically (↓) or diagonally (↘)

请找出和给意见相关的情态动词。

共有10个单词，其组成方式可能以水平的(→)垂直的(↓)或对角的(↘)形式出现。

w	i	l	l	a	d	f	g	a	f	s	s
o	u	g	j	t	g	d	c	a	n	c	v
u	g	h	t	a	c	e	f	s	a	n	d
l	d	s	s	d	a	s	s	s	z	c	c
d	s	a	h	s	a	s	s	c	s	e	s
s	w	s	s	o	u	g	h	t	e	s	a
s	e	e	a	r	u	m	i	g	t	h	z
a	a	z	s	h	a	l	l	n	c	e	d
m	s	w	e	c	s	e	d	e	s	w	d
u	a	a	s	e	s	e	m	i	g	h	t
s	c	a	e	x	s	a	s	a	s	w	e
t	x	s	c	o	u	l	d	a	y	x	x

should	ought	must	can	might
may	could	shall	will	would

Answers 答案

1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

- Influenza H1N1 is more commonly known as swine flu. **True**
- Japan has one of the highest occurrences of swine flu in Asia. **True**
- Some Japanese schools have been closed-down forever as a result of the swine flu pandemic. **False**
- Karaoke clubs in Japan are receiving fewer students than normal. **False**
- A representative from the World Health Organisation says that when healthy people catch swine flu, they will usually just suffer from mild illness. **True**

3. Label the Pictures 标注图片

- wheelchair
- doctor
- stethoscope
- X-ray
- syringe
- pills
- hospital
- nurse
- ambulance
- drip

3. Odd One Out 挑出另类词

- A.
- c) carelessly
 - a) rapidly
 - b) normally
 - a) accidentally
- B.
- The virus appears to be spreading very rapidly.
 - Some people are not following advice and they are carelessly putting others at risk.
 - Some people have accidentally infected their close family and friends.
 - Most healthy people can go about their every day activities quite normally.

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

w	i	l	l										
o							c	a	n				
u													
l		s											
d			h										
				o	u	g	h	t					
					u								
			s	h	a	l	l						
m							d						
u							m	i	g	h	t		
s								a					
t			c	o	u	l	d		y				

should ought must can might
may could shall will would