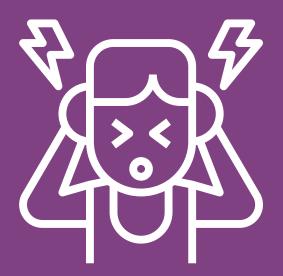
It helps to have some certainty in uncertain times. If possible, try to stick to a daily routine – waking up, working, eating, exercising and taking breaks at similar times each day.







During times of high stress, it is normal to feel scared, unsure, confused or even angry.

If these feelings are becoming too much, take a few deep breaths and focus on what you can see or hear around you right now.





Do this any time you are feeling highly stressed or upset.



Remember - your friends are in your pocket....
You just have to call them

Friends and family feel closer when you talk







Everyone deals with stressful situations differently, and that can be hard wheneveryone is stuck inside together.

Some teenagers might want time to be alone, while some younger children might need more time and attention from adults.



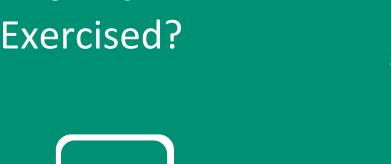


Talk with people in your house about what you need, and try to understand what they might need as well.



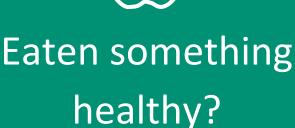
Today have you:





Connected with someone outside of the household?





Remember, we are all in this together •••



Everyone copes with change and difficulties differently. How have you managed when things have been difficult in the past?





Can you share some of these coping strategies with friends and family?



Are there socially distanced ways you can check on your neighbour and those who are alone?





You'll make two people feel happy once you do.



An activity to try if you are feeling stressed out and unsure





Imagine that you're in your safe place – it might be beside a waterfall, it might be on a mountain or in a forest.

Imagine what it looks like, what it smells like and slowly breathe in and out. Tell yourself, 'I'm safe.'





It is normal for times of high stress and uncertainty to trigger memories of stressful times in your past. If you find this happening a lot, try to bring your mind back to the present by noticing:



5 things you can see

4 things you can hear





3 things you can touch

2 things you can smell





And take 1 deep breath





Use the power of kindness to make you and others feel stronger and happier.

Can you send someone a card, make them some food, share a favourite book or song?





Practising compassion and kindness can lead to a stronger immune system, greater happiness and lower levels of stress and depression.



Practising gratitude can have a positive impact on your mental health, particularly during time of high stress or change.





Either by yourself, or with a friend or family member, try to name 3 things every day that you are grateful for in your life.

