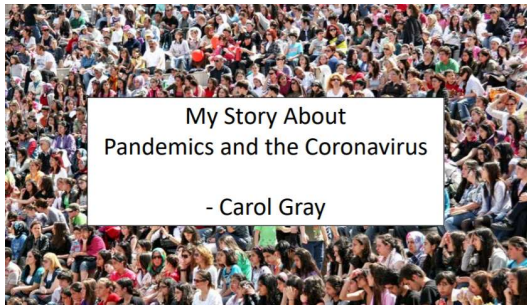


## Information to support children and young people with autism to understand Covid-19 (Coronavirus)

Below we have shared some resources to support families to share messages about Coronavirus with children and young people with autism.

### 1. Tools to support children and young people understand Covid-19 (often referred to as Coronavirus).



[Carol Gray; Understanding Coronavirus Social Story](#)

A social story which uses text and pictures to explain Coronavirus



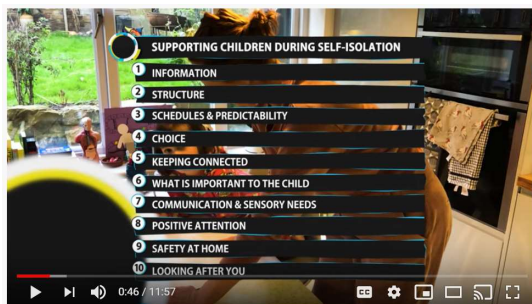
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[Public Health England Covid-19 information](#)

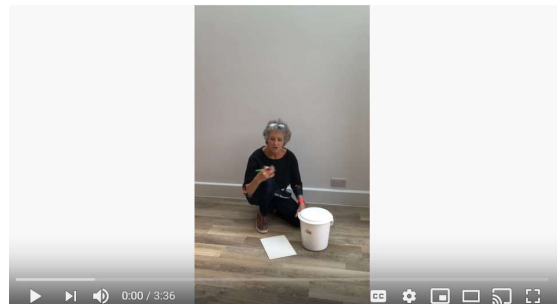
An easy read guide which uses short text and pictures to explain what Covid-19 is and the action people can take to prevent spreading the virus.



Supporting Neurodiverse Children In Challenging Times Such As During Self-Isolation

[Supporting neurodiverse children on challenging times such as during self-isolation; East London & Homerton University Hospital NHS Trust](#)

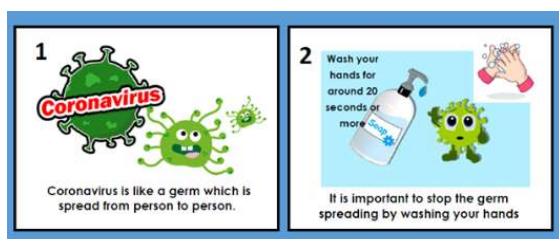
A 12 minute video which describes what you can do to support your child at home during self-isolation.



Attention Autism Suggestions for a Stage 1 with Coronavirus in mind

[Gina Davies video clip](#) a YouTube clip showing ways to introduce items such as hand sanitiser and a thermometer to children with social communication difficulties.

### 2. Tools to share messages about social distancing



[Middletown Centre for Autism poster showing simple social story](#)

[Social Distancing Social Story by ASERT](#)

A social story about social distancing using words and pictures, the story is available in Spanish, Arabic, Russian and Chinese.

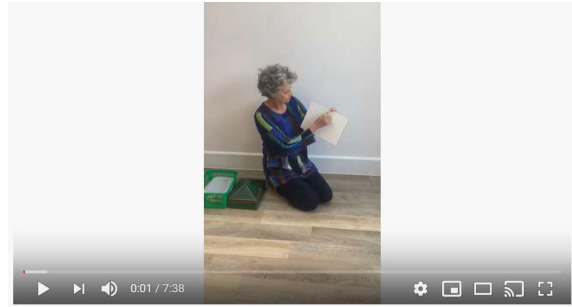


Time to Come In, Bear: A Children's Story About Social Distancing

[Time to come in, Bear](#)

A short YouTube video of a story for young children to help them understand social distancing.

A poster with a short story about Coronavirus and social distancing, which could be printed.



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[Gina Davies; video clip](#)

A YouTube Clip showing a fun activity to support children with social communication difficulties to understand social distancing.