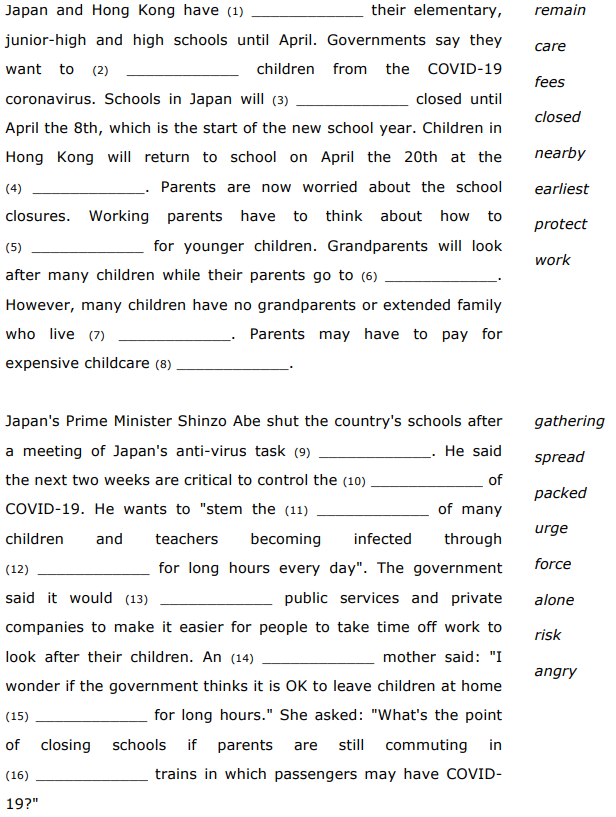
**Parents angry as COVID-19 shuts schools for a month   (3rd March, 2020)**

1. **GAP FILL**

**Put these words into the spaces in the paragraphs below.**



1. **READING COMPREHENSION**
2. **Read the following statements; determine whether they are true (T) or false (F).**
3. Japan, Hong Kong and China have closed their high schools.**T / F**
4. Schools in Hong Kong will stay closed until April the 20th at the earliest.**T / F**
5. Parents are not at all worried about the school closures.**T / F**
6. Japan has said childcare will be free in March for working parents.**T / F**
7. An anti-task virus force met in Japan.**T / F**
8. The next two weeks are important to stop the spread of the virus. **T / F**
9. Japan wants companies to help workers who have children.**T / F**
10. A mother questioned the closures when people use crowded trains.    **T / F**
11. **SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.**

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| 1. **closed** 2. **protect** 3. **remain** 4. **worried** 5. **fees** 6. **force** 7. **critical** 8. **urge** 9. **OK** 10. **packed** | 1. safeguard 2. acceptable 3. charges 4. stay 5. important 6. concerned 7. encourage 8. shut 9. crowded 10. group |