

## ***What are you doing to stay busy during this time?***

### ***14 responses are here:***

- I just finished reply email to my tutor. I am watching "the Big Bang Theory". I plan to read book "Harry Potter". I am going to practice making a cake, but I don't have enough eggs and whipping cream, then I make meat buns.
- Other than ordinary household chores, I am making a point of reaching out to friends and students, including some to whom I have not spoken in years. It helps fend off my own sense of isolation and helplessness when I reach out and offer companionship or comfort to others.
- Painting the kitchen cabinets and wooden bird houses, playing scrabble and monopoly with my spouse, skype with grandchildren cleaning up the yard, reading and napping, of course, watching news and Netflix, calling friends, tutoring, doing the New York Times mini crossword and shredding old documents
- I'm amazed at how quickly the time passes. I think I have slowed down to the point where only 1-2 little "projects" take up a whole day. So I'm not sure that I'm doing much of anything different from my usual--maybe getting a little more housecleaning done! My husband and I have watched some movies on TV, something we almost never do. And with the nicer weather, I'm starting to do some yard work. I also spend more time on the telephone, connecting with family and friends.
- We're taking walks, raking our leaves and an elderly neighbor's leaves, I'm practicing guitar :) and running two on-line ESL classes for Potter's House staff, a wonderful ministry in Guatemala. We have a number of Zoom sessions each week with different groups we're involved with at our church. It has been nice getting to know neighbors better, at a social distance, of course! Unfortunately my LVM student is having a hard time with Zoom on her phone, but were having long conversations via phone each week. :)
- Cooking, exercising, talking/Zooming with friends and family, walking, reading, online Mah Jongg, tv. Haven't gotten to the bigger project of cleaning out closets and drawers, but hope to eventually.
- Projects around the house that I have been wanting to get to for a while. I set a goal of one a week. Feels so good to sit back and see them completed!

- baking, exercising & jewelry making
- Sewing masks, exercising, knitting, quilting, watching movies, playing bridge online with friends, connecting with family and friends on Zoom.
- binge watching Schitt's Creek. three seasons down/ three to go! I am loving it. Also reading Little Women since the first time I read it 60 years ago. I will treat myself to the movie when I am finished.
- I knit and read and walk my dog and work outside in the garden and try to follow the news. I stay in touch with family and friends through FaceTime and telephone calls. And I meet my daughter and grandchildren outside when the weather is nice and we can observe our physical distancing.
- Working
- I am very fortunate that I am able to work from home. However, I am very worried about my student, who has no internet access at home and has a cell phone she can only use over wifi. She has no computer.
- I have bought a camera and signed up with Zoom. I began teaching classes online this week I am preparing my garden for planting.