

People Protest Against Masks

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The whole world is fighting with the coronavirus. In many countries, people must cover their faces and keep a distance from each other.

However, some people are starting to get angry because they do not like to wear face masks for many weeks. They **refuse** to wear the masks.

In a store in Florida USA, a group of people protested against face masks. They **marched** through the store, and they shouted at other people. They were not wearing face masks. Other people were very surprised when the protesters shouted at them to take their masks off.

In the past, the US president did not want to wear a mask, and he refused to wear it during a meeting with journalists. However, he changed his opinion, and he **urged** people to wear masks in public and to keep a safe distance from each other.

Difficult words: **refuse** (to say no), **march** (to walk like soldiers), **urge** (to strongly suggest something).



LEVEL 2

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Discussion Questions

Topic Talk

- 1. Define the following words: refuse, march and urge
- 2. Why must people cover their faces and keep a distance from each other?
- 3. Why did a group of people in a store in Florida, USA protest?
- 4. What did the former president of the USA refuse to do at a meeting with journalists?
- 5. Did the president of the USA continue not to wear a face mask? What did he suggest people to do?

Express Your Thoughts

- 1. Did you wear a face mask from the onset of the pandemic (coronavirus) or did you find it strange and ignore the health measure?
- 2. Did you realize the importance of wearing a face mask from the first wave of the virus?
- 3. Were there also protests happening in your country against wearing masks?
- 4. Does everyone in your country wear face masks in public?