

1. My world has shrunk down a ton because of the virus. I have cut back on travel, visiting other people and places that I would normally go to. I probably stay closer to home in general and do not go to events like concert, movies, restaurants, etc. as I did in the past. I walk my dog and see my neighbors a lot more often and this has built up the community feel of my neighborhood.
2. This year will live on in our memories like no other. All of us know people who have died because of the virus, life has been disrupted, like we have been put on pause in a way. Other years come and go, but we will talk about this past year for the rest of our lives...in some ways it will be like "the good old days" when there was no traffic and we stayed inside, but in so many ways it will be remembered as this huge scary and tragic event for the country...so many lost so much.
3. School was a real trip during distance learning. No one around for months, a kind of "last man on earth" kind of feel. No traffic, not many people walking around, no place to go really. Made me reevaluate my habits and what is really important in my daily routine. I would like to say that I got in great shape, but the opposite happened. I also got better at tech stuff that I never really had time for or cared about before.
4. I cannot wait to get back to regular daily life and I think I will be a better person for this experience...I have become more grounded and thoughtful and probably as a whole a better teacher. I think we will all appreciate the many things we took for granted for so many years.