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**Newsletter #115**

*Dear Readers,*

Welcome to the issue #115 of our What Can You Do Weekly Newsletter!

## Editors' comment

From this week until the end of the COVID 19 pandemic, in addition to our normal coverage of important SDG matters, we are providing additional information and advice on COVID-19 issues. This is being done in this Newsletter, via a feed into our website (and within the WCYDo APP when published in the iOS & Android App Stores) to help readers avoid infection and manage further spread of the virus.

Some people may not previously have seen the relevance of SDGs or why we need to care about issues and people or the need to improve conditions in our own and other countries. However, the COVID-19 pandemic frighteningly illustrates what an inter- connected World we live in. A World where an incident in one location can have a worldwide impact causing enormous Global health and economic problems - killing many thousands - even in the richest countries with the best health resources.

We all live in One-World. Unless we all start to understand the critical and urgent importance of dealing with emerging issues such as pollution, climate change, infections etc affecting our own and other less prosperous countries, the consequences will come to haunt us on our own doorsteps.

Stay safe, keep well!

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Check the latest weekly updates on SDGs - *shocking facts as used in the original development of the SDGs* to share with family & friends, encouraging them to become more active and to join our community to “Save our World”!

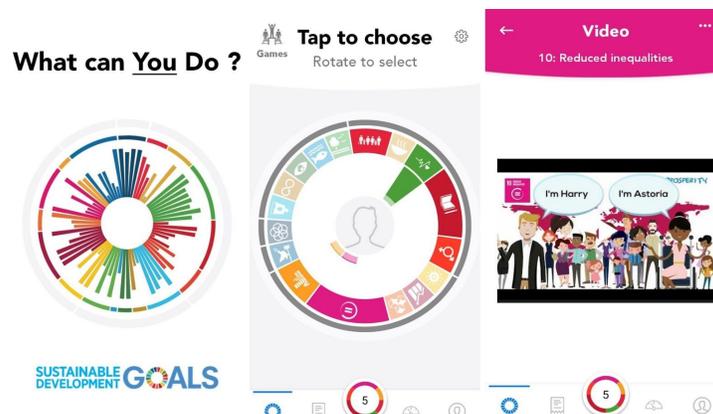
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## COVID-19 News Feed

- Coronavirus: potential drug treatment starts UK trials. Read [here](#).
- Coronavirus: Lockdown prompts clear fall in UK air pollution. Learn more [here](#).
- Facebook launched a feature that allows people to request or offer help to neighbours - here's how it works. Read via the [link](#).
- Mapping the global spread of the coronavirus. See more [here](#).

- Coronavirus: are loss of smell and taste key symptoms? Check the [link](#) to find out more.
- Coronavirus: Transforming London's ExCel centre into Nightingale hospital. Read [here](#).
- Spanish police are asking people to donate snorkel masks to build makeshift ventilators for its overwhelming number of coronavirus patients. Find out more [here](#).
- Coronavirus: Three out of four Americans under some form of lockdown. [Follow the link](#) to learn more.
- COVID-10: how long does the coronavirus last on surfaces? Find out more [here](#).
- Coronavirus: millions of garden plants set to be binned. Read [here](#).
- 5 people explain what getting the coronavirus felt like for them and how they recovered. [Follow the link](#) to learn more.
- COVID-19 draws retired doctors back to work. Check more via the [link](#).
- Ford will make 50 000 ventilators in the next 100 days to meet critical coronavirus pandemic demand. Read [here](#).

## Interesting topics

- Oil refineries face shutdowns as demand collapses. Read [here](#).
- Internal Monsanto documents show it knew of predicted damage to US farms. Read more via the [link](#).
- Newly discovered species found deep in the ocean contains microplastic. Follow the [link](#) to read more.

- Greta: We must fight the climate crisis and pandemic simultaneously. Read [here](#).
- Atlantic faces fifth “Above-normal” hurricane season in a row. Read [here](#).
- Climate change: green energy plant threat to wilderness areas. Follow the [link](#) to find out more on this topic.
- The New Zealand river that became a legal person. Read more [here](#).
- 18 Organizations to support during national farmworker awareness week. Learn more [here](#).
- Scientists find bacteria that eats plastic. Read more [here](#).
- Plastic: how to predict threats to animals in oceans and rivers. Check more [here](#).



# Inspiration of the Week

## 4 zookeepers have moved into their zoo for 3 months to quarantine with the animals

“Four zookeepers at Paradise Park are taking employee dedication to a whole new level — they're moving into the zoo while the coronavirus pandemic has everything but essential businesses shut down.

Originally, Izzy, Emily and Sarah-Jane were the only three, but Layla has joined them as well over the past week. The zookeepers have been living in a house on the park grounds while they feed and take care of the animals, at the cost of quarantining with their families.

As the days tick by, these zookeepers have been attempting to keep the animals' routines as constant as possible, including pretending to be visitors to the penguins' enclosure.”

**Source:**

<https://www.insider.com/zookeepers-moved-into-zoo-for-3-months-to-quarantine-with-animals>

# Hashtag of the week

*(Please share with friends, family and work colleagues and encourage them to join our community and help create a safer, fairer world for all)*



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