**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
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