

COVIDOPS 3

a kid's guide to going back
out into the world

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DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to you
our amazing children superheroes
who have stood strong and brave
and helped the world be safer
because you are in it!

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Thank you, Special Agents!

1-Operation COVID-ops 3

You are in your secret base.

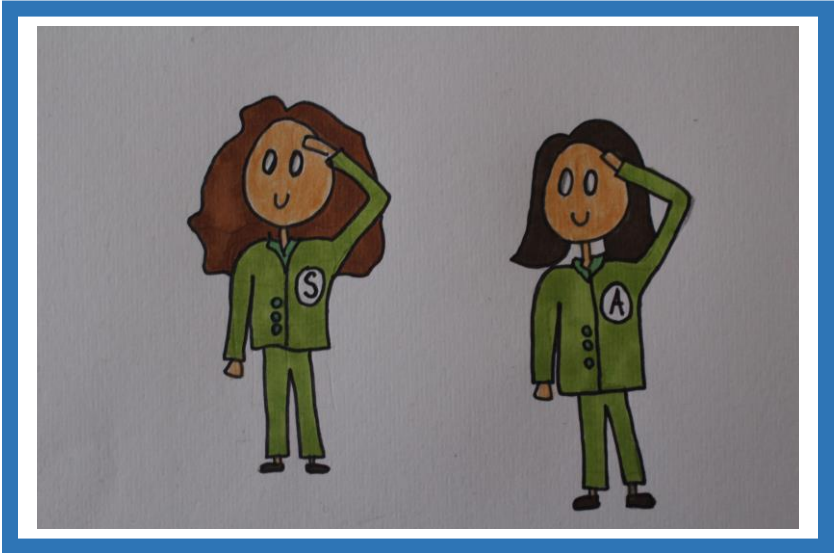
A message pops up.

You type a secret code.

A message is on your screen—



Then, two girls you know come on your screen.



“Hi, Secret Agents!

Secret Agent, Anna and Secret Agent Serena here again.

Do you know what a flashing yellow light means?

Take it slow and be careful!

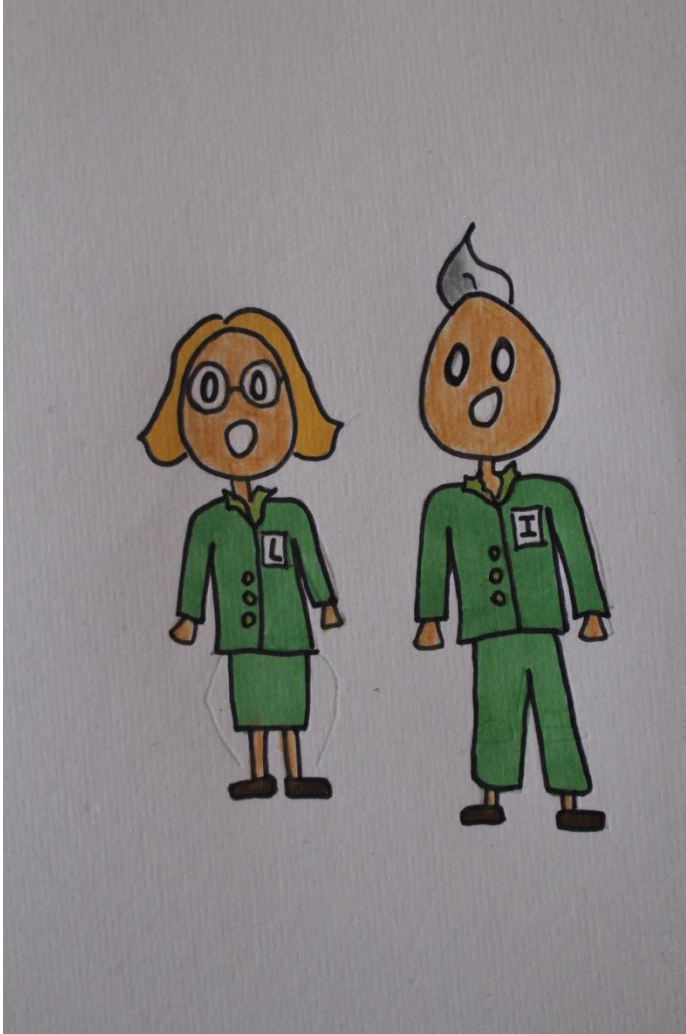
We have some very good news today.

The alien virus we have been fighting is getting weaker!

It is time to begin a new mission!

Commander T and Commander Liz are going to come talk to you about it.”

Commander T and Commander Liz appear on the screen.

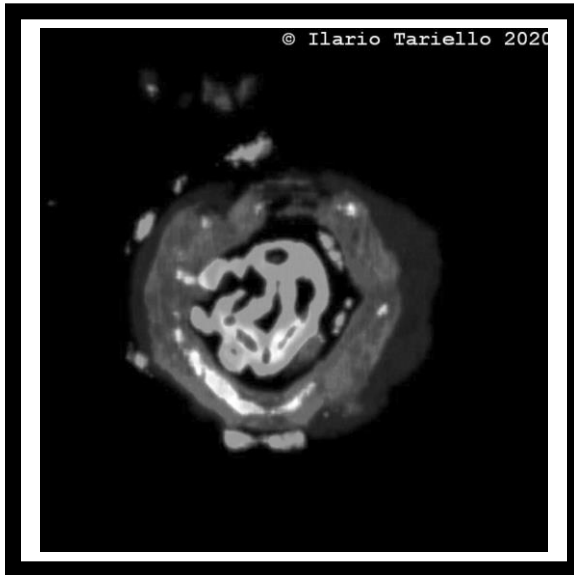


Commander Liz speaks first.

“Welcome, Special Agents! You are doing a great job! We have some very good news for you today.”

Commander T says,

“As you recall, we have been in a war with this an alien virus called COVID-19.



This is the tiny little germ you cannot see.

It has been making the whole world sick.

The good news is, not as many people are getting sick now.

Scientists are also testing new vaccines that might help people fight off the alien virus.



Commander T says, “It is good news, indeed!

The children of the world obeyed the rules.

You helped the grown-ups do the right thing, too.

Everyone staying in and staying safe have the virus on the run!

Thank you for your hard work!

But we have a new job to do.

As the world goes back out, we want to train you to do it the right way.

We want all our special army to stay safe even then.

Agent Serena and Agent Anna are going to come teach you what to do.

Commmander T wants to be sure you know how to do it right.

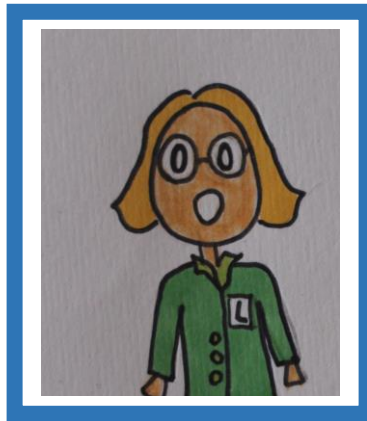
I want you to stay safe.

I want your family to be safe.

I do not want the alien virus to come back strong again.”

2 CHANGE IS HARD

Commander Liz steps up to talk.



Commander Liz says,

“First, I want to tell you that I am so proud of every one of you!

I knew I could count on you as a mighty army!”

“I want to talk to you about some changes you might be seeing or will see soon.

Where I live, the cities are opening back up.

Dads and moms are going back to work.

Stores are open again.

But schools are not.

It will be another big change for you.

I know you will miss your mom and dad not being there.

I know you still can't go back to school and see your friends.

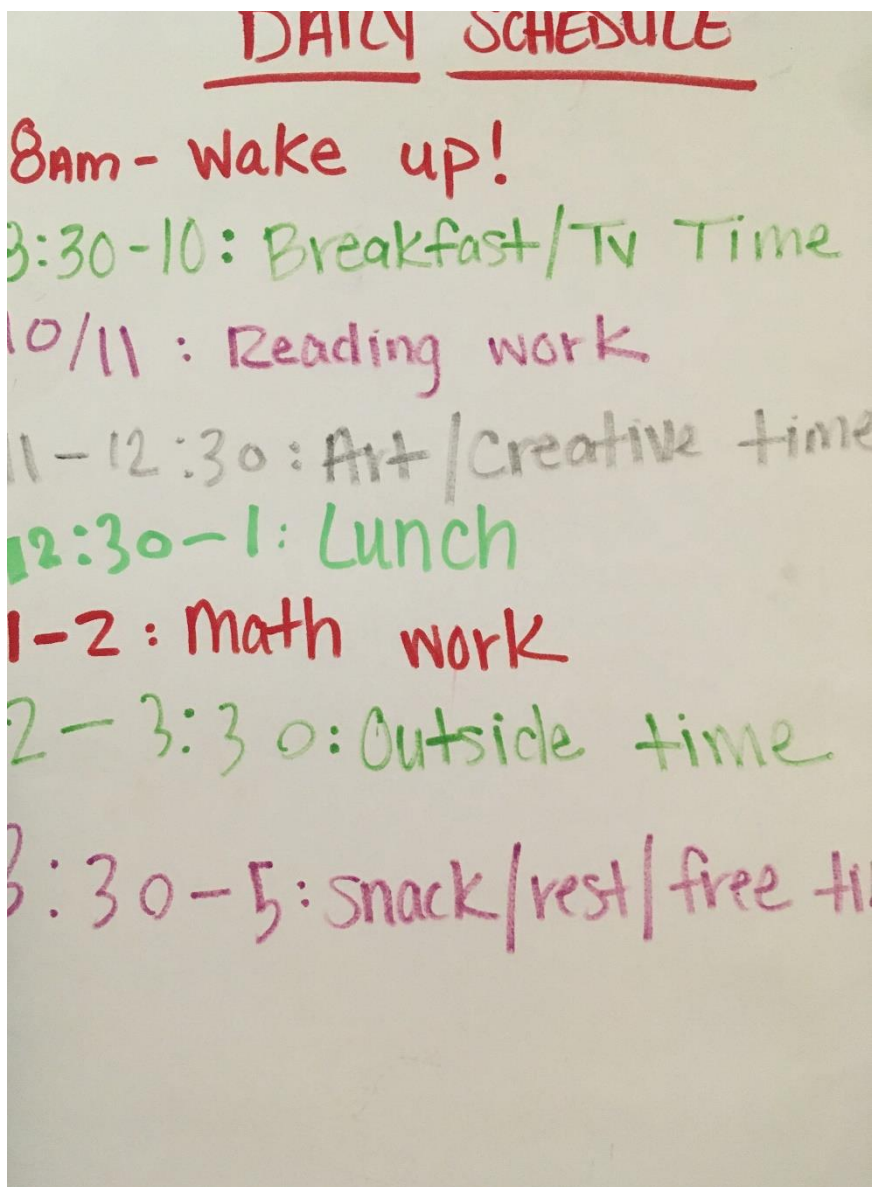
But this change means we are one step back closer to the world we knew before the virus came.

One thing that will help to make your day better is to ask your mom and dad to make a list of what you have been doing and when.

This way, when other people are watching you while they work, they know what you have been doing.

It will make things feel good to you to stay doing what you have been doing with your mom and dad.

It might look something like this one:



You can also talk to your mom and dad about secret agent cards or letters you can make while they are at work.

Then, your mom and dad can mail them for you.

You can even make cards for your mom and dad and for the ones who work with them to cheer them up, too.

Ask your mom and dad to plan times for you to meet with a friend on the phone to talk or play.

You can make up stories with your friends about fun things you have done before and what you will do when you can play again with them.

You can also be your mom and dad's special agent helper.

Ask them to make a list of little jobs you can do while they are at work.

If you have brothers and sisters, they can make a big list and each one can take two to do.

Be sure your mom and dad color them to know which jobs you can do if you are little.

This way, when they get home, mom and dad can spend their time with you and the jobs will be done.

I am so proud of how good you have done so far.

You are my little army of superheroes. You make Commander Liz smile to think about how big you have been in this war.



I know you will do a good job to help us all go out in the world the safe way.

Special Agent Serena and Special Agent Anna are going to come now and teach you what to do when you go back out, too.

3 COVID OPS TOOLS TO GO

Special Agent Serena comes on the screen.



She smiles.

“Hi, Special Agent Serena here again.

I want to show you how we can fight this alien virus when we go back out.

You need your special tools, still.

You still must use your soap and hand sanitizer.

Carry your hand sanitizer with you all the time.

You still need your armor, too.

You must wear your mask to keep you safe if you are near the alien virus.

Watch me put on my mask.

Ask your mom and dad to be sure your mask fits.

Be sure to leave it on all the way when you go outside.

Be sure your nose is inside it.

Be sure you do not scratch your nose under your mask.

Agent Serena looks at you and smiles.

“Can you still pass your itchy face test?”

You nod, “Yes!”

“Good,” Serena says,

“Think about your eyes or nose itching.

You cannot touch your face or eyes or nose!

What will you do?

How long can you last?

That’s what you have to do on your mission.

You cannot touch your face at all.

Don’t touch your eyes, your nose, or your mouth.

If the alien virus is on your hands, then it will attack you when you touch your face.

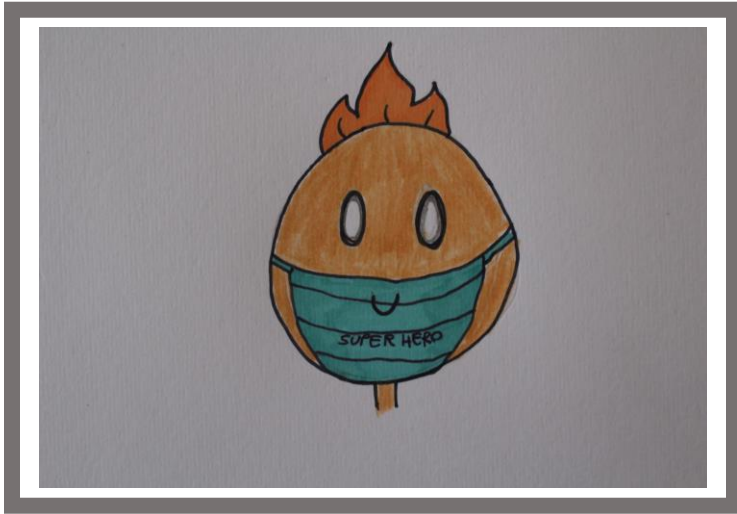
It is hard, but you can pass this test!

Good job!

When the police tell you it is safe to open stores and to go back out, the alien virus is still there, it is just not so strong.

You still **MUST** have your armor on if the alien virus is still in your city!

Be sure your parents use their armor, too!



Your home and own yard is still your strongest special place to be safe against this alien virus.

You may go out some now, but please try to stay home as much as you can still.

We are winning this war!

We don't want to stop now!

That is all, little soldiers. Go back in the world and be safe!"

Special Agent Anna is going to show you how to go back out safely."

4 COVID OPS ON THE GO TRAINING

Special Agent Anna comes back on your screen.



“Hi, Special Agent! I am going to show you how to use your armor and special tools as you go out.

Open your secret agent box.”

You slowly open your box.

Your put in your password: COVID-ops.

The case opens with a loud hiss.

Hisssssssss!

You see your extra hand sanitizer and soap.

“You still need your special tools. The enemy is still there, just not as strong.

These are the best ways to kill our enemy,” Anna says.

“Now, stand up. and we will be sure you remember your training on how to fight.”

You stand up with your special tools.

“The alien virus travels on our hands.

That’s why we must kill it on our hands.

Carry your hand sanitizer with you all the time.

Use it after touching things.

Also, wash your hands often.

Don't forget, you need to wash them every time you come inside,
before you eat,
after touching money,
after touching your computer or game controller,
after touching doors, everything."



"Do you remember how to wash your hands the right way?

You salute, "Yes!"

You do what Special Agent Anna does and turn on the water.

Anna says, “Put soap on your hands.

Scrub every part of your hands.

The backs, the fronts, between your fingers, your thumb, your pinky.

Scrub them long enough to sing Happy Birthday 2 times.

The scrubbing is what kills the virus aliens, so make sure it’s long enough.”

You scrub and scrub and scrub.

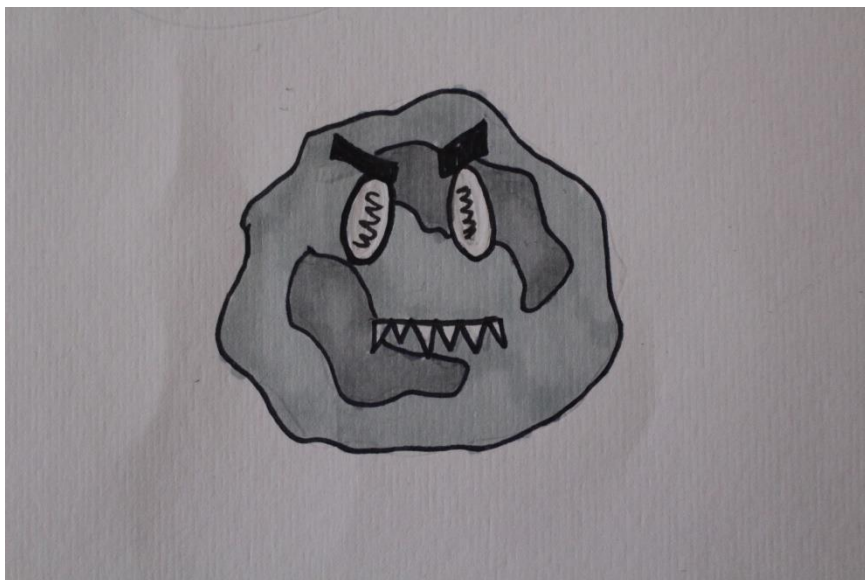
“Now rinse.

Use a paper towel to turn off the water and turn off the light.

The alien virus lives on things you touch for many days.

It will get back on your hands if you touch those things again.

It lives on things other people touch. Use your sleeve or a paper towel to open doors.”



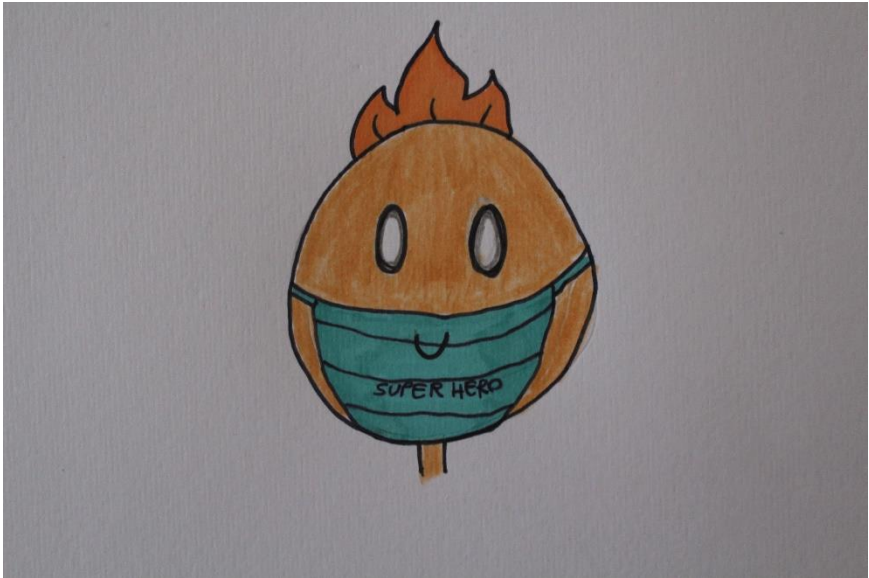
You dry your hands with a paper towel, hold it in your hand, turn off the water and the light, and close the door.

“You did so good,” Special Agent Anna says.

“You did not forget!

Also, don’t forget what Special Agent Serena told you about wearing your special armor mask.

That will help keep the alien virus from attacking you too easily.”



“The alien virus spreads by coughing and sneezing, too.

You must stay far away from people to keep you and them safe.

How far away? Do you remember?”

You are excited!

You run to the end of your bed and point to it.

Special Agent Anna claps her hands.

“Good job, Special Agents!

You must stay 2 meters or 6 feet away from them, which is about the length of a bed.

Don't get close to other people—keep other people at the other end.

You will see special markers on the floor at the store.

It will show you how far to stand away from other people.



If there are not markers, remember the bed rule!

Stores can only allow a few people in at a time.

You will need to take a number and wait.

Hurry when you are inside so others can shop, too.

The clerk might have a big window between you and them when you check out.

They will have on a mask and gloves.

It is good.

They are keeping you safe.

Finally, I know you miss eating out.

You can only get take-out food in most places right now.

You can get take-out food and go to a private place to eat with your mom and dad or take it home.

If you see a friend, just wave hi to them.

Don't hug people, or give them handshakes, or give them fist bumps.

Don't forget, your coughs and sneezes can spread the alien virus, too.

If you have a cough, please stay at home.

Do the crocodile cough everywhere, even at home,

to make your family safer. Bend your elbow like a crocodile mouth and put it over your mouth and nose, then cough into it!

If you sneeze, do the same thing.

Sadly, no playgrounds will be open for a while.

But you can go outside and play in the warm sunshine in your own yard.

If you do play with other boys or girls, wear your special armor mask and use your hand sanitizer!

Be sure to wipe to clean your devices—tablets, phones, computers, and game controllers, too.

The alien virus can live there, too.

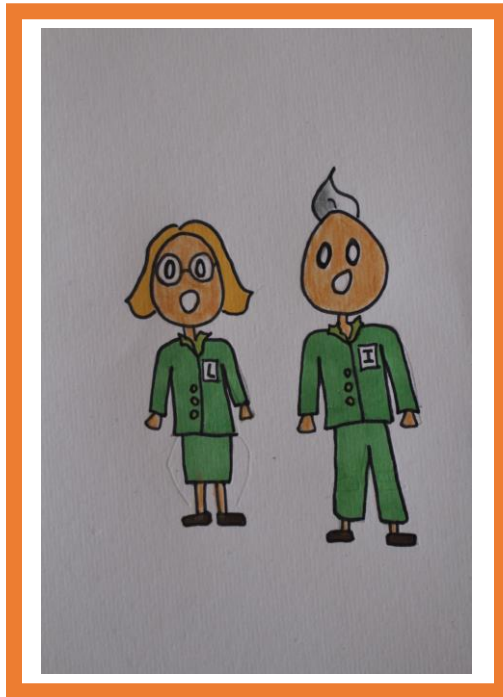
Now, I know this is scary.

It's not easy being a special agent but you have done a great job so far.

I know you can do it now," Agent Anna says.

5 A MIGHTY ARMY

Commander T and Commander Liz come on your screen again.



“So, now, mighty army, are you ready to teach the world how to go back safely and be superheroes again?” Commander Liz asks.

Commander T steps up to speak,

“This is a very special mission for you, Special Agents!

Remember, we are under CODE YELLOW.

Take it slow. Be careful!

We can win this war completely if we go back out the right way.

Every time you use your special tools and armor the right way.

Every time you help others make smart choices.

Every time you keep your space between others.

YOU are a superhero.



You are a big part of saving the world.

Please don't forget.

Commander Liz steps up and they both wave goodbye and say,

“Let's go save the world, Special Agents!

‘Stay smart! Stay safe! Stay strong!’”



You can email Commander T and Commander Liz at agent@covidops.info
Visit us at www.covidops.info for information, a live book reading with Commander T and the team, and fun things to do while you fight the alien invasion!

Stay smart! Stay safe! Stay strong!

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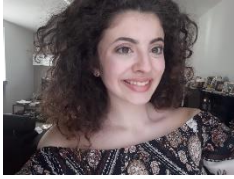
The Franklin and Tariello families joined forces from across the ocean to take on a secret mission, which was to train all children on how to be superheroes in the ongoing war against COVID-19. From the first lockdown in February to present time situations, worldwide, the COVIDOPS books help children navigate the changing status of COVID in their country.



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