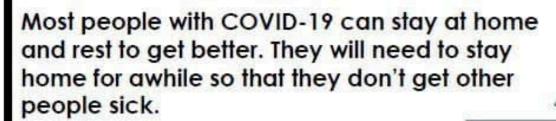# What's COVID-19?

COVID-19 is a new type of virus, or illness. Some people call it coronavirus. A virus can make people feel sick.

When someone has COVID-19, they may cough and have a fever. Just because someone is sick doesn't mean they have COVID-19. Other viruses, like the cold or flu, can also make people cough or have a fever.

Most people with COVID-19 can stay at home and rest to get better. They will need to stay home for awhile so that they don't get other people sick.

A few people with COVID-19 may need to go to a hospital so a doctor can help them feel better.

COVID-19 usually doesn't make kids very sick. But there are still some things I should do to keep myself and other people healthy!

I should wash my hands often. I take my time and scrub the soap between my fingers and all over my hands before I wash it off. If I can't wash my hands, then I can use hand sanitizer. By keeping my hands clean, I can help get rid of germs that make people sick!