ANTIBODIES Helpful molecules your body’s immune system creates to stop viruses from making you sick. Your body makes different antibodies to protect you from different viruses.

ANTIBODY TEST The test that shows if your body’s immune system made antibodies. If your body has antibodies for COVID-19, it means your body was exposed to COVID-19 and made antibodies to protect you against the virus.

ASYMPTOMATIC Not showing symptoms of a virus or disease

CDC Center for Disease Control

CORONAVIRUS A virus that causes an infection in your respiratory tract—nose, sinuses, throat, and lungs. There are many types of coronaviruses and SARS-CoV-2 is a new one humans have not seen before, and it causes COVID-19.

COVID-19 COrona VIrus Disease 2019; the disease caused by SARS-CoV-2

IMMUNE SYSTEM The group of cells in your body that fight germs that can make your body sick

IMMUNITY The body’s ability to not get sick from a virus. People become immune to a virus once the body creates antibodies after being exposed to that virus.

IMMUNOCOMPROMISED When the body’s immune system is not strong enough to fight germs on its own

N95 A mask worn over the nose and mouth to filter airborne particles, or germs in the air. N means “not resistant to oil” and 95 means the mask “filters 95% of airborne particles.” Doctors and nurses wear N95 masks, though people outside the hospital can wear a regular surgical mask or cotton mask to protect against germs from coughs and sneezes.

NOVEL VIRUS A new virus we have never seen before

PANDEMIC The worldwide spread of a new disease

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**QUARANTINE** During the COVID-19 pandemic, quarantine means staying home, away from others. People stay under quarantine if they, or someone they were exposed to, tested positive for COVID-19. People can usually come out of quarantine after 2 weeks because the body has fought off the virus, and no one can catch it anymore.

**SARS-COV-2** Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome CoronaVirus 2. A virus that can make people sick with COVID-19. SARS is an illness, caused by coronavirus, that makes the lungs and throat feel sick. The 2 stands for this being the second coronavirus causing SARS. The first virus (SARS-CoV) that infected humans was reported in the early 2000’s.

**SOCIAL DISTANCING** During the COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing means standing at least 6ft away from people, except those who live at home with you.

**SYMPTOMATIC** Showing symptoms from a virus or disease

**SYMPTOMS** A response from your body, caused by a virus or disease. Symptoms for COVID-19 include fever, fatigue (feeling tired), cough, and difficulty breathing.

**VACCINE** Medicine that is injected into the arm or thigh to help protect you from catching certain viruses. Each vaccine protects you from a different virus. We already have vaccines for many viruses, including the flu and chickenpox. Because COVID-19 is new, we do not have a vaccine yet. Scientists are working on making one to help protect people from COVID-19.

**VENTILATOR (VENT)** A machine used in the hospital that helps people breathe when their lungs are too sick to breathe on their own.

**VIRUS** Germs that can make your body sick

**WHO** World Health Organization