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## STUDENT PROTESTS



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students who have been told to self-isolate at short notice in student accommodation are receiving food, essential items and some financial assistance. It seems that students will have to accept their unfortunate university experience as just another unwelcome impact of the Covid-19 outbreak.

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**2. When self-isolated, students can only socialise with**

- A. their classmates.
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**3. Students are called to ask for their money back if**

- A. they only have face-to-face lessons.
- B. their teachers have been infected by coronavirus.
- C. they have lost, on average, 15% of their face-to-face study time.
- D. the quality of their learning has decreased due to the pandemic situation.

**d) The writer's opinion is that**

- A. students won't get what they ask for.
- B. confirmed cases will still have to self-isolate.
- C. students are at greater risk from Covid-19 impact.
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**II. Are these statements TRUE or FALSE? Justify your answers based on information from the text, rewriting the original sentences in your own words or quoting properly (2 marks)**

1. Universities recommended to students that they should attend the university in person.
2. If students are not allowed to leave their accommodation, they are being provided with food and other necessary supplies.

**III. Answer the following questions according to the information given in the text. Write complete sentences using your own words. Do not copy from the text (2 marks)**

1. What does an international study say about online learning effectiveness?
2. What did Universities promise students at the beginning of the term?

**IV. Find words in the text meaning the following: (1 mark)**

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undesirable-displeasing



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**Writing (3 marks)**

**Write an answer to one of the questions below (80-100 words).**

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## EBAZPENA INGELESA / SOLUCIONARIO INGLÉS (2021)



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1. Universities recommended to students that they should attend the university in person.

**It is true. According to the text, “at the beginning of the term, students were encouraged to attend campus.”**

2. If students are not allowed to leave their accommodation, they are being provided with food and other necessary supplies.

**The text states, “students who have been told to self-isolate at short notice in student accommodation are receiving food, essential items and some financial assistance”, so it is true.**

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**An international study states that online learning is 15% less effective than in-person learning.**

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