

Stretch your memory: M 6 Everything's different



My holiday plans

If we **had not had** a Corona outbreak, I **would have gone** to Ireland this year! Now the government says that we **should not** make any holiday plans because we **will not be allowed** to travel in summer – we **will have to** stay in Austria. That's very sad. I hope we **won't have to** stay in our home town!

I have not cancelled my bookings yet because I'm still hoping that things **might** change, but it is not very likely.

New Easter Traditions

If we **had not had** a Corona pandemic, we **would have celebrated** Easter with about 35 family members in our garden. We **would have lit** a bonfire on Saturday evening and searched for Easter presents in the garden on Sunday morning. But – due to the Corona outbreak – everything was different this year. Everybody **had to stay** at home, so our relatives from Germany and Vienna did not come to visit. Easter bonfires **were not allowed**, so we sat at home on Saturday evening and played games. The presents that are usually hidden in the garden, were hidden inside the house. On the bright side, we **didn't need to** get up early to hide them in the garden.

We are not allowed to visit old people

If the Corona virus **had not spread** across the world, I **would have visited** my father on the weekend. We **would have gone** to his favorite restaurant and we **would have eaten** a delicious lunch there. I **would probably have eaten** a "Cremeschnitte" for dessert. Unfortunately, this was not possible, because we **must not** meet old people and put them in danger.

This year we had to stay at home

If the Corona virus **had not spread** across the world, I **would have spent** my Easter holidays in Greece. I **would have left** Graz on Friday and I **would have flown** to Greece. I **would have spent** a wonderful week at the seaside. I **would have walked** along the beach and I **would have met** all my Greek friends. On Easter Sunday, I **would have celebrated** Easter with Leonardo and his family and friends. We **would have had** a lot of good food. Unfortunately, none of this happened this year. Our flights were cancelled, and we **could not** go away. The Corona outbreak stopped us, and we **had to** stay at home. We **had to** celebrate Easter all alone, we **were not even allowed to** visit my father.

This year we could only talk on the phone

The thing **that** I like most about my Easter holidays in Greece, is meeting all my friends there. My friends, **who** live there all year, always have lots of stories to tell about all the things **that** happened during the winter. This year, we could only talk on the phone. The stories **that** they told me were different and not as much fun. We talked about the things **that** they **were not allowed** to do this year and about all the people **who** they **were not allowed to** meet.

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The bonfire, **that** is usually lit on Saturday evening, did not take place and our friends, **who** usually come to spend the evening with us in the garden, had to stay at home. Our family members, **who** usually meet in the garden on Easter Sunday, met in a video-meeting instead.

