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There are a whole lot of stories. In the first half of the winter term, when the rest of the world hasn't even started worrying about the virus at all, my parents in China have been put under quarantines, just as most of the people in the country. Schools were closed and many of my friends back in China were forced to stay home and take online classes, too. I was so worried about them. I was only 3 year-old during the last SARS pandemic and this is an absolutely unprecedented situation for me. Especially that China was the first country to experience the pandemic outburst, my feelings, or our feelings as Chinese international students, were barely heard or understood by people. Not only me but almost everyone in my social circle suffered from great anxieties, uncertainties, and physical troubles. The stories simply lie in every single chat between my family/friends and me. Now that the roles have switched, and it is me that is living on the face of a great pandemic. New thoughts and new anxieties emerge, as well as new stories have been created.