

CORONAVIRUS PLUS & MINUS

PLUS

- C** Community caring is firmly in place.
It is proving to be our saving grace.↔↔
- O** Outstanding front-line workers have excelled during this “Hiatus”.
They are now given their due recognition and status.
- R** Rationalising the status quo.
Ingenious ways have been devised to soften the blow.
- O** Our resilience and adaptability are winning the day.
Realising that things can be done but in a different way.
- N** New skills and activities to undertake and learn.
Thereby boosting our self-esteem in turn.
- A** Applause and accolades for jobs well done.
Appreciation shown by everyone.
- V** Volunteers and Veterans have joined the war.
Their skills are as vital as they were before.
- I** Information and intelligence stored on a database.
They will ensure the victory of the human race.
- R** Rejoicing that pollution is at an all-time low.
Natural fragrances have an uninhibited flow.
- U** Untold simple pleasures, as we exercise, abound.
Blossom trees, exquisite flowers and birds’ song
has increased in sound.
- S** Some lights at the end of the tunnel can be seen.
Namely testing, treatment and Vaccine.

MINUS

- C** Cut off from family and friend.
Tactile affirmations of love at an end:
- O** Overcome by overwhelming grief and sorrow.
People wonder how they can face tomorrow.
- R** Reality check that ‘normal life’ is on hold.
Fighting boredom and depression as the days unfold.
- O** Oblivious of the seriousness of the situation.
Selfish people are a risk to our nation.
- N** No school, holidays or social activity.
Thereby increasing our feeling of negativity.
- A** Aghast at the collateral damage to our education
and economy.
Will we ever regain our autonomy?
- V** Various scams have been created.
Shame on those by whom they were perpetrated.
- I** Indifference and ignorance are the enemy.
If they persist, we will never be free.
- R** Retail therapy is no longer available.
Withdrawal symptoms make us yearn for the unobtainable.
- U** Untold suffering too great to endure.
People unable to take any more.
- S** Statistic announcements concerning the virus are diurnal.
This harrowing pandemic seems eternal.

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