

Dear Students (B2 to C1)

Here is my transcription. Compare with yours. Questions and suggestions are always welcome!

Reference: <https://bit.ly/3a9kNtS>

The 2019 novel coronavirus outbreak poses a great challenge for all of us. The overall goal of WHO's preparedness and response plan is to stop further transmission of the virus within China and to other countries. It also aims to mitigate the impact of the outbreak across the world. In order to achieve this we need to quickly establish international coordination and operational support, accelerate priority in research and innovation, and most importantly, scale up country readiness and response operations.

This particular training focuses on that country readiness and response that we aim to establish and seize the UN country team as central to this important effect. By the end of this short online course we hope that you will be able to describe the principles, elements and the core requirements of the strategic preparedness and response plan for the novel coronavirus of 2019. You will be able to list and explain the rationale for eight core domains for the strategic plan, describe the levels from one to three of preparedness activities and how to progress across the levels, and be able to access the full set of activities, performance indicators and many resources that you will find useful. We hope that you take this course and that you encourage your colleagues to take it, it really is a foundation for the important work that we need to do.