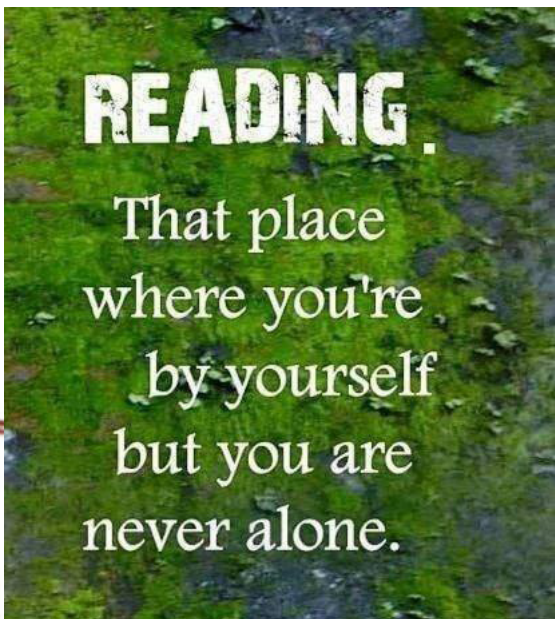


## Time to escape reality...

We're still here... not sure how long it's been now or how long it'll continue, but we shall not be defeated! Your LRC team have been busy behind the scenes researching new ways to help you escape the lockdown boredom blues whilst staying safe at home. Read on!

**Please get in touch with us if you have any questions/suggestions:  
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## Sharing is caring!

We've been very keen over the last few weeks to encourage you to read for pleasure and we're pleased to announce that some of you have been in touch with some suggestions!

Jenny had some great recommendations this week:

**The Bronze Horseman (trilogy) by Paulina Simons** - Set in Russia during the war and follows life post war. Very moving with a romantic undercurrent.

**The Green Mile by Stephen King** - Both film and book are fantastic.

**One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest by Ken Kesey** - "I can hardly describe how brilliant

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## KEEP CALM BY FOCUSING ON YOUR MENTAL HEALTH



The longer the lockdown goes on, the harder it can be on your mental health. Will it ever end? Am I the only one who feels like the walls are closing in on me? Everyone's in the same boat, so who can I turn to?

Please remember **YOU ARE NOT ALONE**. It's important to look after yourself and to get help if you are concerned that you are developing a mental health problem.

Here's a reminder of the LRC's top tips for Lockdown:

- Stay Connected** - We're in this together, we can help each other!
- Switch Off** - Don't stress yourself with gossip, check only reliable sources
- Create a Routine** - A new rhythm that works for you, it's only temporary
- Talk** - Unload your troubles, don't bottle it up, you'll feel better, lighter
- Read** - You can escape to another world with a good book!

## Get out and see the world!

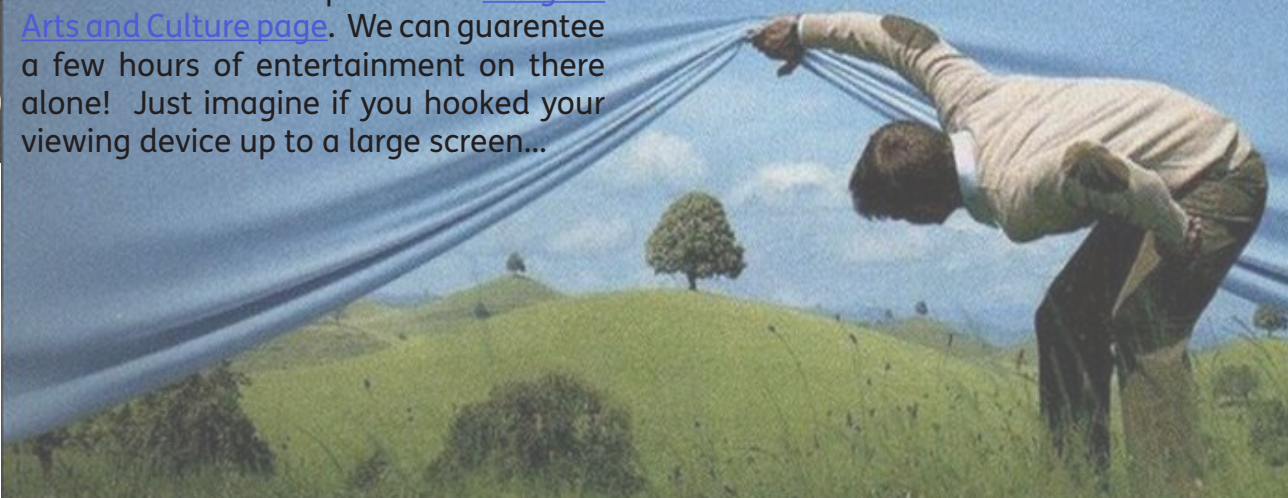
No, stop packing, we're not asking you to leave the safety of your home, but if you're anything like us, you might be getting a bit bored of the same four walls and want to escape! Lockdown has forced a lot of places to close, but it has also encouraged them to get creative to stay connected with their absent visitors. Introducing **'Virtual Tours'**! If there has ever been anywhere you've wanted to visit but have been unable to, for whatever reason, now is the perfect opportunity, as many museums, galleries and landmarks are offering virtual experiences for free during Lockdown: [The Louvre](#), [British Museum](#), [Vatican Museum](#), [Rijksmuseum](#), [The Tate](#)... just to name a few!

Many are also available if you go direct to the place's website, but if you want to find them all in one place visit [Google's Arts and Culture page](#). We can guarantee a few hours of entertainment on there alone! Just imagine if you hooked your viewing device up to a large screen...

If animals are more of your thing, many Zoo's and animal sanctuaries have set up live webcams in their enclosures for you to view:

- [Sandiego](#)
- [Smithsonian's National Zoo](#)
- [Monterey Bay Aquarium](#)

Any fellow PotterHeads reading this? You probably already know about [Harry Potter at Home](#) but for those who don't, author J.K. Rowling has launched an online Harry Potter Hub to keep kids (and others, not kids, but super HP fans) educated and entertained at home during Lockdown.



## STUDY SKILLS

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