What is COVID-19?

To find out why your brother, sister, or cousin has been feeling sick, nurses and doctors are going to test them for something called coronavirus.

What does everyone keep talking about?
The coronavirus is a newly discovered virus that causes an illness called COVID-19. People with COVID-19 may feel like they have the flu, which you or someone you know might have had before. If there is something you feel confused or worried about, ask an adult you trust.

How does the coronavirus make people feel?
Someone with COVID-19 may have a cough, may feel hot with a fever, and may feel like it is hard to breathe. The hospital will check for coronavirus even though some of these signs are similar to the flu.

What can I do to keep people healthy?
Since this is a new virus, the hospital does not want COVID-19 to spread and make others feel sick. To help others stay healthy, the hospital made a new rule: Kids in the hospital can have just one adult with them while they are here – this means no brothers, sisters, cousins, or other family members. You can help others by washing your hands, staying home if you are sick, coughing/sneezing into a tissue or your elbow, and by keeping your hands away from your face to keep germs from spreading.