The World Turned Upside Down 2020 #haiflu edition.

Please share your experiences of lockdown, good and bad using 2 haiku poems, or a doodle or both on the topic of no news and strange news with a flavour of lockdown.

We are looking for 2 haiku poems. The first one should be about something commonplace, no news, and the second something that makes the commonplace strange, strange news.

We also want doodles or cartoons, which illustrate aspects of lockdown. The drawings should fit in a landscape (A5) rectangle of no more than 210mm wide and 148mm high.

People can do either or both and we will match them up. Use the template overleaf to help create your doodles and cartoons, such as:

A haiku poem is made of 3 lines, with 5 – 7 – 5 syllables, with no rhymes.

'I can't teach my kids,

I'll need help, promptly, quickly,

Anything will do' ... no news!

The 1st haiku should have after it '... no news'.

The doodle or cartoon should be black on white.

Gnome schooled children learn,

That parents brains, are made of,

Cold dry porridge ... strange indeed!

And the 2nd haiku should have after it '... strange indeed'.

The deadline for sending #haiflus and drawings to us is 30 November. You can tweet your #haiflu and drawings to us at @YorkLibrariesUK, send it on Instagram to @exploreyorklibraryandarchive, email them to arts@exploreyork.org.uk or hand them in at your nearest York library.

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1 - See the story

List all the key elements that you want to show.

Think of imagery for each. What symbols can you use to tell this story visually?

How can you show the action and emotion?

How can it be made funnier and more absurd?

2- Put it together

Arrange the imagery in the A5 frame.

What's in the foreground?

What's in the middle and background?

How are the images working together?

What's really noticeable?

What's slightly hidden away?

Doodles/Cartoons should fit in an A5, 210mm width and 148 high, rectangle like this.