

Trapped on a cruise ship by the coronavirus: When is breakfast

Hidden away in her cabin, Masako Ishida **reckons** she doesn't face much risk from the coronavirus that has **stalked** her cruise ship, forcing an onboard **quarantine** of 3, 700 passengers and crew members in the port city of Yokohama.

reckon 估计; 猜想

stalk 追踪; 潜近

quarantine 检疫; 隔离

disembark 登陆; 下车; 上岸

After the virus struck, confusion came quickly. Ishida said she first learned that her two-week cruise might be extended not from the crew, but from an article she read online Monday. That report said a man from Hong Kong who had **disembarked** from the ship, the Diamond Princess, in his home city on Jan. 25 had tested positive for the virus.

Japanese health workers have begun **screening** 273 people who displayed symptoms or came into contact with the infected man. So far, 20 of them, including passengers from Japan, Australia and the United States, have been found to be infected.

screen 筛选

thermometer 温度计

All 3, 700 people on board received an initial health screening. Ishida said authorities who performed it didn't seem to take it very seriously. "They didn't put the **thermometer** into our ears properly," Ishida said.

She has also felt the chaos of the sudden quarantine at mealtimes. Breakfast, delivered by staff members in **goggles** and masks, didn't arrive until almost 2 p.m. Then lunch came right on its heels.

goggle 护目镜

incubation 潜伏

The ship is steaming back out to sea so it can empty its bilge and supplement its water supplies, its owner, Princess Cruises, said on its website. It will return to port Thursday to take on food and other supplies as it carries on with the two-week quarantine, which covers the **incubation** period of the coronavirus.