**Robot Nurses: Three Sources (video and two articles)**

Source #1 Meet Moxi: A Robot and the Future of Healthcare (video by KXAN News Feature)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TDCbskX3LgY>

Source #2 Tommy the Robot Nurse Helps Italian Doctors Care for Coronavirus Patients (article adapted by NEWSELA Lexile 930L)

<https://newsela.com/read/robot-nurse-coronavirus/id/2001007958/>

Source #3 Using a Robot to Ease a Child’s Pain (*New York Times* article)

<https://well.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/07/09/using-a-robot-to-ease-a-childs-pain/?smid=tw-nytimeswell&seid=auto> Source #3 is more difficult (around 6th grade level?) but the first two paragraphs are pretty easy and provide a lot of content.

Suggested vocabulary: *innovative*

**Main Ideas**

**There are benefits to robot nurses.**

* Help nurses and doctors
* Give nurses more time to focus on patient and doctors who need to focus on seriously ill patients
* Young patients connect with the robots
* With coronavirus, robot allows the medical providers to have fewer contacts with patients who are contagious
* Do not get exhausted like humans
* Make painful, scary experiences easier for children (and parents)

**Robot nurses can complete helpful tasks.**

* Drops linens (sheets) off in rooms
* Bring supplies to nurses
* Escorts families around the hospital (so they don’t get lost)
* Can measure blood pressure and oxygen levels
* Distract children who are getting a flu shot or blood test

**Robot nurses have special features.**

* Moxi
  + rolls down hallways
  + has arms that can reach out and pick something up
* Tommy
  + Child size with robot eyes
  + Screen and computer with a microphone so doctors can listen
  + Runs on a battery
* MEDi
  + Programmed to greet a child with a high five
  + Ask questions like “Do you like movies?”
  + Eyes and finger-like parts that collect toys from a tray