



Osaka and Serena through to Aus Open 2nd round

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Former Australian Open tennis champions Serena Williams and Naomi Osaka eased into the second

round, after winning their respective opening matches of the tournament. There is a different feel to the event this year with several safety precautions in place.

1. Much work has gone into ensuring the first tennis grand slam of the year _____

2. And the Australian Open is finally underway _____

3. Extra precautions were in place inside the venue _____

4-1. Serena Williams opened her bid _____

4-2. with a comfortable straight sets win over Laura Siegemund, _____

5. Another former Australian Open champion _____

6. She made light work of her opponent Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova _____

7. Fans watching on Rod Laver Arena weren't required to wear masks _____

"It did remind me of last year so that for me is something really positive to take in and all in all I think just, I don't know, I haven't walked around the grounds or anything so I don't know what it feels like to be a person in the stands, like a spectator. But for me as a player, it felt pretty normal."

8. Organizers have several safety checks _____

9-1. More than 800 hand sanitizer dispensers _____

9-2. click and collect food and drink orders _____



[Vocabulary]

□ **ensure**: to make certain that something happens or is done

- *Negotiators ensured that the treaty was a significant change in direction.*
- *The lifejacket had almost certainly ensured her survival.*

□ **grand slam**: In sport, a Grand Slam tournament is a major one; a set of important competitions held in a sport during one year, especially in tennis, rugby or golf

- *Melbourne's Australian Open is the first Grand Slam tournament of the year.*
- *Murray's first Grand Slam was at the US Open.*

□ **Australian Open**: The Australian Open is a tennis tournament held annually over the last fortnight of January at Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Australia. The tournament is the first of the four Grand Slam tennis events held each year, preceding the French Open, Wimbledon, and the US Open.

□ **underway**: already started or happening

- *Rescue efforts are underway to find the lost climbers.*
- *The most dangerous experiment is already underway.*

□ **extra**: in addition to the usual or expected amount

• *School teachers are expected to take extra precautions to stay healthy during the flu season.*

□ **precaution**: something done to protect people or things against possible harm or trouble

- *I had taken the precaution of doing a little research before I left London.*

- *Extra safety precautions are essential in homes where older people live.*

□ **in place:** In the appropriate or usual position or order.

- *With everything in place, she started the slide show.*
- *Everything seems to be in place for a successful peace conference.*

□ **Serena Williams:** (born 1981), US tennis player; sister of Venus Williams; full name Serena Jameka Williams. During 1999–2017, she won the women's singles titles at six US Open, seven Wimbledon, three French Open, and seven Australian Open tournaments, breaking the Open Era record for most grand slam singles titles. She also won the gold medal in women's singles at the 2012 Olympics.

□ **bid:** an attempt to do something

- *The company said that it might cut 2,232 jobs in a bid to reduce costs.*
- *The government has unveiled plans to dramatically reduce taxes in a bid to bolster the economy.*

□ **elusive:** difficult or impossible to achieve

- *In London late-night taxis are elusive and far from cheap.*
- *An agreement to end the fighting remains elusive.*

□ **record-equaling:** highest ever, record-high

- *record-equaling nine gold medals*
- *The boxer celebrated his record-equalling victory.*

□ **Laura Siegemund:** (born 4 March 1988, in Filderstadt) is a German professional tennis player. She has won two singles and six doubles titles (including the 2020 US Open) on the WTA Tour, as well as 12 singles and 20 doubles titles on the ITF Circuit. On 29 August 2016, she reached her best singles ranking of world No. 27, and on 14 September 2020, she peaked at No. 33 in the doubles rankings.

□ **make light work of:** to do or accomplish easily

- *We'll make light work of this project now that you've joined the team.*
- *You made light work of that book you were reading. You must have liked it!*

□ **Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova:** (born 3 July 1991) is a Russian tennis player. A junior prodigy, Pavlyuchenkova won two junior Grand Slam titles, and became the junior World No. 1 in January 2006 at the age of 14. She continued her success after turning professional, reaching a career-high singles ranking of world No. 13 on 4 July 2011, and as of 16 November 2020, is ranked world No. 38.

□ **Rod Laver Arena:** a multipurpose arena located within Melbourne Park, in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. The arena is the main venue for the Australian Open, the first Grand Slam tennis tournament of the calendar year.

□ **all in all:** with everything considered (and neglecting details)

- *All in all, it's not so bad.*

- *All in all, getting insufficient sleep is bad news.*

□ **in operation:** being in effect or being operative

- *Bus service is in operation during the emergency.*

- *The plant is now in operation.*

□ **hand sanitizer:** a liquid, gel or foam generally used to decrease infectious agents on the hands.

- *If you can't wash your hands, carry an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.*

- *Wash for at least 15 seconds with warm water and soap, if available, or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.*

□ **dispenser:** A dispenser is a machine or container designed so that you can get an item or quantity of something from it in an easy and convenient way.

- *...cash dispensers.*

- *...a fridge with a drinks dispenser.*

□ **click and collect:** A shopping facility whereby a customer can buy or order goods from a store's website and collect them from a local branch.

- *Click-and-collect service is available at all of our stores.*

- *Online shoppers are making more click-and-collect purchases.*

□ **deep cleaning:** A deep clean is defined as an exceptionally systematic clean of an area, especially a detailed clean of a hospital with the intent to reduce contamination and control infection.

- *It's happened at schools, stores and offices: Someone who might be infected with the coronavirus passes through. The building often closes. Then come the calming words: deep cleaning. The idea is that a thorough cleaning and disinfecting could help prevent people from getting sick.*

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