



South Koreans rush to 'revenge' shop after isolation

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South Koreans across the country went on shopping sprees over the weekend after weeks of being cooped up at home, as the government relaxes its social distancing measures and customers returned to department stores, movie theaters and amusement parks.



1-1. South Koreans across the country _____

1-2. after weeks _____

2. They call it "bobok sobi," _____

3-1. And South Koreans had days _____

3-2. it was the first long weekend since social distancing rules _____

4. 55-year-old Lee Jong-hee _____

55-YEAR-OLD SHOPPER AT ACCESSORIES SHOP, LEE JONG-HEE, SAYING:

"I came here with my friend to get some fresh air. Now I can buy accessories after trying it myself, it feels so good because I can shop in person."

5. Major retail chains like Lotte Shopping and Hyundai Department Store _____

6-1. The nationwide splurge _____

6-2. after weeks of stay-at-home measures _____

7. However, South Korea's early action meant it largely saw success _____

8. And on Sunday -- the government said _____

9. They also warned people _____

SOUTH KOREA'S MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELFARE PARK NEUNG-HOO

SAYING:

"Having social distancing rules in daily life means social and business activities are allowed, but individuals and communities need to take responsibility themselves."

10. Locals looking to kick cabin fever _____

11. There's been _____

12-1. Korean Air said _____

12-2. between the capital Seoul _____

[Vocabulary]

□ **spree**: a short period that you spend doing a particular activity, especially something enjoyable such as spending money or drinking alcohol

- a shopping/spending/buying spree
- *Some Americans went on a spending spree in December to beat the new tax.*

□ **coop up**: to confine in or as if in a coop; to restrict someone or something to a particular, usually small, space for a length of time

- *Just let the dogs run in the yard—they've been cooped up all day.*
- *After that snowstorm cooped us up for days, we were thrilled to leave the house again.*

□ **throng**: to press tightly together or cram; if people throng somewhere, a lot of them go there

- *They throng the beaches between late June and early August.*
- *The crowd thronged the broad thoroughfare of the city.*

□ **roll back**: to remove something, or to reduce the influence of something

- *Eventually prices were rolled back to prewar levels.*
- *Unless they roll back oil prices, this summer's tourist traffic will be half of last year's .*

□ **in person**: actually present

- *I saw a famous actor in person at the restaurant the other day.*
- *You are more beautiful in person.*

□ **retail**: relating to the sale of goods directly to the public for their own use

- *a retail outlet*
- *The retail price of the food was expensive.*

□ **retail chain**: a chain of retail stores; a retail outlet in which several locations share a brand, central management, and standardized business practices. They have come to dominate the retail and dining markets, and many service categories, in many parts of the world. A franchise retail establishment is one form of chain store. In 2005, the world's largest retail chain, Walmart, became the world's largest corporation based on gross sales.

- *The network of post offices is the largest retail chain in the country.*
- *The retail chain expanded rapidly in the 1970s and 1980s.*

□ **Lotte Shopping**: a South Korean multinational conglomerate. Lotte began its history on June 28, 1948, by Korean businessman Shin Kyuk-ho in Tokyo. Shin expanded Lotte to his ancestral country, South Korea, with the establishment of Lotte Confectionery in Seoul on April 3, 1967. Lotte eventually grew to become South Korea's fifth largest business conglomerate.

□ **Hyundai Department Store**: together with Lotte Department Store and Shinsegae, is one of the three major department store chains in South Korea. It has 15 locations and more than \$6 billion in annual sales(in 2019).

□ **trumpet**: to announce something publicly in a way that is intended to make it seem very important

- *The museum has been loudly trumpeting its reputation as one of the finest.*
- *The government has been trumpeting tourism as a growth industry.*

□ **lure in**: to attract or entice someone or something into some thing, place, or situation

- *We've got the trap set up, but we need some kind of bait to lure the rabbits in.*
- *The promise of a big salary isn't going to lure me into a job as a corporate slave.*

□ **splurge**: a spell of extravagant spending

- *My biggest splurge has been a grand piano.*
- *Retailers are not concerned that the splurge in spending will dent sales at the end of the month.*

□ **boost**: an action or event that helps something to increase, improve, or become more successful; encouragement, improvement, or help

- *a boost to morale*
- *The festival has been a major boost for the local economy.*

□ **much-needed**: needed to a great extent

- *The film gave a much-needed boost to the country's tourist industry.*
- *The building plans include much needed new office accommodation.*

□ **take one's toll**: to affect, especially negatively; to damage or degrade; to cause destruction

- *Time had taken its toll on the old bridge, and it was no longer sound.*
- *Heavy smoking and drinking will take its toll on a person's health.*

□ **vigilant**: watching a person or situation very carefully so that you will notice any problems or signs of or trouble that there might be.

- *He warned the public to be vigilant and report anything suspicious.*
- *Stay vigilant to changing weather conditions in your neighborhood with NWS warnings.*
- **kick**: to stop doing something that is bad for you
 - *She's kicked her drug habit and learned that her life has value.*
 - *I've kicked cigarettes and booze.*
- **cabin fever**: the feeling of being angry and bored because you have been inside for too long; If you describe someone as having cabin fever, you mean that they feel restless and irritable because they have been indoors in one place for too long.
 - *I've got cabin fever. I've got to get out of here.*
 - *She suffered from cabin fever during the long winter.*
- **kick cabin fever**: to remove the feeling of being cooped up
- **surge**: a sudden increase in something such as price, value, or interest
 - *Forecasters are predicting a pre-Christmas surge in spending.*
 - *Specialists see various reasons for the recent surge in inflation.*
- **surge in demand for**:
 - *Food banks are also coping with a surge in demand.*
 - *"But supermarket shelves are pretty empty in Japan; we could see a surge in demand soon".*
- **Korean Air**: South Korea's flag carrier airline
- **vacation spot**: an area where many people go for recreation
 - *The Outer Banks is a popular vacation spot, with many out-of-state residents owning a second home along the beach.*
- **Jeju Island**: An island of South Korea south of the mainland in the northern part of the East China Sea *area* 706 square miles (1829 square kilometers)

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