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Nothing was mentioned about data collection method, and the data analysis techniques used in this study	
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7. No citations for the facts mentioned in lines 87-90.
8. Nothing was mentioned about the research gap which this research tried to bridge.
9. Instead of explaining heavily the origin & meaning of the word "quarantine" researchers can demonstrate the variation of quarantines around the globe, its importance & its non-nutritional effects.