

Money! Money!

Topic 2. Mobile Phones



Getting Started

Read then copy.

a) Daniel wants to buy a mobile.

Daniel wants to buy a mobile.

Daniel wants to buy a mobile.

Daniel

b) Tom gives him some advice.

Tom gives him some advice.

Tom gives him some advice.

Tom

Vocabulary 1 – mobile

1. Read then copy.

In America, a mobile phone is called a cell phone.

In America,

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2. Spelling – read, copy and learn.

mobile

fragile

smile

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Vocabulary 2 – address

1. Read then copy.

When I write my address, I write my number, street, suburb and postcode.

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2. Spelling – read, copy and learn.

address account afford appeal

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Vocabulary 3 – ordinary

1. Read then copy.

The computer game was very ordinary. It was nothing special.

The computer

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2. Spelling – read, copy and learn.

ordinary sugary probationary dictionary

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Vocabulary 4 – obsolete

1. Read then copy.

Typewriters are becoming obsolete because these days everyone uses a computer.

Typewriters are

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2. Spelling – read, copy and learn.

obsolete

delete

complete

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Vocabulary 5 – brochure

1. Read then copy.

When I asked for some information I was given a brochure to read.

When I

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2. Spelling – read, copy and learn.

brochure measure treasure seizure

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Vocabulary 6 – complicated

1. Read then copy.

The phone contract was very complicated. I didn't understand it.

The phone

2. Spelling – read, copy and learn.

complicated computer complete compulsory

Vocabulary 7 – no frills

1. Read then copy.

This mobile phone has no frills. You can make a call or SMS only.

This mobile

2. Spelling – read, copy and learn.

frills hill pill small fell dull

Vocabulary 8 – debt

1. Read then copy.

I incurred a big debt when my car had to be fixed.

I incurred

2. Spelling – read, copy and learn.

debt

doubt

subtle

Wrong Word 1

1. Cross out the wrong word in the sentence.
2. Choose the correct word from the box.
3. Write the sentence with the correct word.

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a) ~~After~~ you get a mobile phone, work out your needs.

b) Work out how much your can afford to spend on a mobile phone.

c) Check out mobile plants from different companies.

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out their pre-paid

d) Talk to family and friends about their mobile service and what they pay.

e) Try to find out the real costs of a mobile plan.

f) Consider an expensive phone.

Spoken Language – Making a Suggestion

1. Say these polite suggestions.
2. Practise with your partner.

- a) Why don't you apply for this job?
- b) What about helping me with the dishes, then we can go out?
- c) You might be better off not buying a car.
- d) Have you thought of putting that money aside for an emergency?
- e) Perhaps you could buy a pre-paid phone.

Numeracy

1. In groups, work out the cost of a 10-minute mobile phone call made on the different plans below.

2. Which one is best?

a) 30c per minute plus a 20c connection fee.

$$30c \times 10 = \$3.00 + 20c = \$3.20$$

Cost of call: \$ 3.20

b) 25c per 30 seconds with no flagfall.

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Cost of call: \$ _____

c) 37c per minute plus a 25c connection fee.

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Cost of call: \$ _____

d) 9c per 15 seconds plus 15c flagfall.

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Cost of call: \$ _____

Speed Copying - 1

1. Read the text below.
2. Copy as many words as possible in 2 minutes.
3. Count your total words. _____
4. For each mistake, subtract 1 from your total.
5. Record your final score. _____/52

Daniel wants to buy a mobile phone. He has lots of brochures from various phone companies. His friend Tom advises him to buy a phone outright and buy pre-paid credits, so he doesn't get a bill at the end of each month. Daniel agrees and they go off to get the phone.

(52 words)

Speed Copying - 2

Handwriting practice lines consisting of a solid top line, a dotted midline, and a solid bottom line. There are 20 such sets of lines provided for copying practice.

Reading – A Story about Mobile Phones

Read this story, then tell it to your partner in your own words.

Anna is a mother with 3 children, on a single parent pension. She signed a 12-month mobile phone contract. She signed up for 3 phones, one for each child.

She agreed to pay \$200 a month for a year.

However, she could not keep up the payments, and after a few months, fell behind. At that time, with interest, she owed \$3000 to the phone company.

The phone company demanded she repay this debt at \$100 a week, but she could not afford this.

Now she must make some other arrangement to repay her debt.

Key Messages

What should you check out before you get a mobile phone?

- Work out your own needs
- Work out how much you can afford to spend
- Check out mobile plans from different companies
- Talk to family and friends about their mobile service and what they pay
- Try to find out the real costs of a mobile plan
- Consider a pre-paid phone.

Questions for Mobile Phone Brochure

1. Complete the table with information from the brochure. The first one has been done for you.

Name of phone	Cost	Amount of credit included	Conditions Apply?	
			Yes	No
a) Optus Motorola	\$79	\$10	✓	
b)				
c)				
d)				
e)				
f)				
g)				
h)				
i)				

2. In groups, discuss what kind of conditions apply to mobile phones.
3. Report back to the class.

Get talking with great pre-paid handset deals.

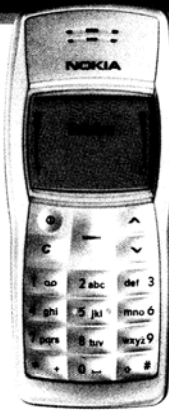


Optus Motorola C117
Includes \$10 credit.
Conditions apply.*
See below.

NEW
\$79

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OPTUS

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Telstra Nokia 1100
Includes \$10 credit.**
Conditions apply.*
See below.

\$99

telstra

73265



**Virgin Mobile Pre-Paid
Siemens A65**
Includes \$15 credit.
Conditions apply.** See below.

\$99

Virgin mobile



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**Boost Quiksilver
Nokia 2300**
Includes \$10 credit.
Conditions apply.*
See below.

\$99



72950

**Vodafone
Sony Ericsson J200i**
Includes \$30 credit.
Conditions apply.* See below.

NEW
\$129



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**Telstra
Nokia 2112 CDMA**
Includes \$10 credit.**
Conditions apply.* See below.

Double your
recharges for
a year.

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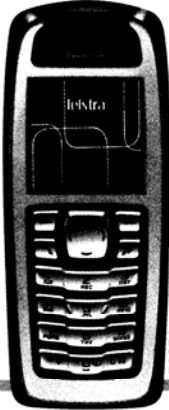
Optus Nokia 3120
Includes \$10 credit.
Conditions apply.*
See below.

\$149

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OPTUS



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Telstra Nokia 3105
Includes \$10 credit.**
Conditions apply.*
See below.

\$169

telstra



Double your
recharges for
a year.

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Optus Samsung X460
Includes \$10 credit.
Conditions apply.*
See below.

NEW
\$189

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OPTUS



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