

Hey, You! Turn Off that Phone!



Today, mobile phones ring anywhere, any time. They are becoming ever more popular among young people; parents even buy phones for children as young as seven in order to be able to locate them if they get lost.

But young people with mobile phones need to keep a few rules in mind. They should be careful about not talking or texting to strangers, and they should keep their phone bills from skyrocketing. Choosing a phone with a prepaid calling card is one very good option.

Youngsters should also be taught common rules of courtesy, such as turning phones off in theaters and places of worship (they can be set on vibrate). If people don't use common sense when they use their phones, these convenient gadgets can become a headache no remedy can cure.

Source: Teen Talk 2

Vocabulary

locate
skyrocket
courtesy
worship
gadget
remedy
text
option

What Does It Mean?

1. keep their phone bills from skyrocketing
2. use common sense when they use their phones
3. a headache no remedy can cure

Comprehension Check

1. Why do parents get phones for very young kids?
2. What are some of the problems implied by this article?