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Using mobile phones

Nowadays, just about everyone has a mobile phone. This wonderful invention enables people to stay **(0)** in touch with others at any time of day or night and no **(13)**_____ where they are. It has brought people closer and it **(14)**_____ certainly have saved many lives by enabling immediate contact with the emergency services.

It also, on the other **(15)**_____ has its disadvantages. Perhaps the most obvious of **(16)**_____ is the sound of people talking loudly into their phone on public transport, apparently unaware **(17)**_____ how much they are disturbing other travellers. This is now starting to happen even on aeroplanes, where until recently passengers **(18)**_____ always told to keep their cell phones switched off.

Quite **(19)**_____ from the annoyance they cause, those who shout into their phones in public **(20)**_____ also be taking unnecessary risks. It is amazing **(21)**_____ often people talk about highly personal subjects, including money matters, when they have no idea **(22)**_____ listening to their every word.

Finally, there is the sound of other people's ringtones, all too often **(23)**_____ maximum volume. The owner of the phone may think their choice of music is cool, but everyone around them probably just wishes they **(24)**_____ turn it down - or off.