



## Are mobile phones our new accessories?

### 1. Be honest and answer these questions.

How many times do you use your phone on an average day?

- a. I don't use it at all.      b. I just check my messages.      c. I don't have a phone      d. a couple of times.

What apps do you use most frequently?

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Could you live without your phone?

- a. No, I would not survive.      b. Yes, definitely.      c. If I have to.      d. I would be better without it.

### 2. Put the words into the sentences.

have considered    keeping      made      tapping      searching      have begun      realize      use

Let me start with a story. I once \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup> a promise to myself not to \_\_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup> one of the apps on my phone for a whole month. It was an app which I used almost all the time. I even deleted the app from my screen, so that I wouldn't have the option of \_\_\_\_\_<sup>3</sup> on it. The day started, do you know what happened when I reached out to my phone? I subconsciously tapped on the place where its icon used to be. I was shocked. I kept \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> for it every time I unlocked my phone.

This automatic movement made me \_\_\_\_\_<sup>5</sup> I had been addicted to my phone, although I \_\_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> always \_\_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> myself a conscious mobile phone user. Let's face the fact that you probably could not name one person around you who does not possess one - or maybe more than one - mobile phones.

Undoubtedly, mobile phones have many advantages for example great apps for learning languages, watching films or even \_\_\_\_\_<sup>7</sup> in touch with our distant relatives or friends. One phonecall for the right person can lend a helping hand in many situations. However, over the time disadvantages \_\_\_\_\_<sup>8</sup> to pile up and become more significant than before.

### 3. Answer the questions.

1. What did she do in order to prevent tapping on the icon?

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2. How often did she try to open it?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What did she realize?

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4. What are the advantages of having a phone?

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5. How can a phone call help you?

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#### 4. Find these sentences in the text.

Valószínűleg meg sem tudnál nevezni a körülötted lévő emberek közül, akinek nincs a birtokában egy vagy talán több mobil telefon.

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Tudod mi történt, amikor nyúltam a telefonoméért?

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Ez az automatikus mozdulat megértette velem, hogy telefon függővé váltam.

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#### 5. Match to their meanings.

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| more significant  | nyúl valamiért       |
| reach out         | kétségtelenül        |
| subconsciously    | feloldom a telefonom |
| unlocked my phone | felhalmozódik        |
| pile up           | tudat alatt          |
| undoubtedly       | jelentősebb          |

#### 6. Translate.

Undoubtedly, mobile phones have many advantages.

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I subconsciously tapped on the place where its icon used to be.

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It has piled up and became more significant.

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Put the verbs in brackets in the correct forms!

Design and appearance can be \_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup> (attract) in many areas of our lives. Electronic gadgets are no \_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup> (except) to this at all. Sleek, elegant, easy to handle are just a few of the many features that we could list.

These gadgets are \_\_\_\_<sup>3</sup> (design) to be glued to our hands 24/7.

Let's go for a walk and observe the people at the bus stop. I am sure that \_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> (many) of them will have their phone in

their hand, or they will be in a middle of a \_\_\_\_<sup>5</sup>

(converse). In a strange way it can give a secure \_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> (feel) since how awkward would

it be to just stand by

\_\_\_\_<sup>7</sup> (you) and stare in front of you?!

Did you know that according to some surveys, we have a tendency to check our phones around 150 times

a day? It is \_\_\_\_<sup>8</sup> (scare), isn't it? What's more, there is

a huge chance that you are \_\_\_\_<sup>9</sup> (read) this article on your

phone, aren't you? It is not as bad as it seems, though.

If you find the golden way, you will \_\_\_\_<sup>10</sup> (conscious) control your

„life-phone“ balance and it won't destroy your relationships. Take

advantage of the \_\_\_\_<sup>11</sup> (benefit) features of smart phones, but do not forget

to maintain your real friendships.

