1 Complete the words.

1 This keeps food and drinks cold: fr I d g E
2 You can boil water in this: k _ _ _ _ _
3 You use this so your mobile phone keeps working: **c** _ _ _ _ _
4 This cleans your teeth very well: **e** _ _ _ _ _ _ t _ _ _ _ _ _ _
5 You prepare hot meals on this: c _ _ _
6 You clean clothes in this: w _ _ _ _ _ m _ _ _

2 Read the article. Choose the best title.

a A day in London without a phone
b Why we love our phones
c A silly mistake on a train

3 Read the article again. Mark the sentences (right), X (wrong) or ? (doesn't say).

1 Carly lost her phone at a cafe in London.
2 She travelled to London with classmates.
3 Someone took her phone from her pocket.
4 She didn't use her phone that day.
5 Her dad is buying her the newest phone for her birthday.
6 She missed her phone a lot.

A reader, Carly, tells us about losing her smartphone and how it felt!



OK, Carly, tell us about your smartphone. What happened?

It was the worst thing! I lost my smartphone a month ago when I went to London with the school. We went by train and I used it on the journey - to check emails and texts. I didn't use it a lot - only three or four times. Then when we were at a cafe in London, I wanted to send a message to my friend; my phone wasn't in my bag and it wasn't in my pocket! Disaster! I remembered I put it on a seat on the train and didn't put it back in my bag. Oops!

So, you checked with the train company, right?

Of course! But they didn't have it. No, someone saw it and thought, 'What a nice phone!' and put it in their bag or pocket! It was expensive and I didn't have the money to buy another one. I waited for a week and then asked my dad. He bought me a cheap one, but it's my birthday next month, so I'm hoping!

Was that week hard?

It was terrible. I talked to my friends on my mum's phone and used my computer for emails but I hated it. I didn't sleep, lessons were hard at school - it was very strange. People say we use our phones too much - I think they're right. Your phone becomes a part of you and that isn't right! But it's hard to live without them.



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