

TELEPHONES

Read the text and choose the correct word for each blank.

About a hundred and thirty years (0) **ago** a man called Alexander Bell was the first person to speak (1) _____ the telephone. For about fifty years, not many people had telephones and if you wanted to use one you (2) _____ to go to the post office, because most telephones were there. About fifty years ago, most people had a telephone in their home, but it (3) _____ very expensive to speak to people who lived far away. There were no cheap ways of (4) _____ like today.

Now most people have telephones (5) _____ they carry in their pockets. These phones are like small computers and they are also cameras and tape recorders. They are cheap and they (6) _____ do everything!

The problem is that a lot of people spend too much time (7) _____ on the phone to their friends and they do not go and visit them. Another problem is that some people speak very (8) _____ on their phones when they are on the bus or on the train or in a café. (9) _____ has to listen to what they are (10) _____ and the conversations are often very boring.

