

6 Read the text and cross out the alternatives that are not possible.

My life ¹used to be/would be much more complicated before I ²got/used to get my first mobile phone. In those days, I ³always arranged/would always arrange exactly where and when to meet my friends and we ⁴tried/used to try our best to get there on time.

Sometimes we ⁵used to wait/would wait hours for people to turn up. I remember once I ⁶rang/would ring a friend's mum to tell her I was going to be late, and my friend then ⁷called/used to call home to see if there had been any messages! People did things like that then. I also ⁸knew/would know loads of phone numbers by heart. Now I can hardly remember my own! It's funny, though, because even though I now carry my phone everywhere, I actually think I ⁹called/would call my friends more back then. I guess it's because we ¹⁰never used to have/wouldn't have emails, texts or messaging apps.