

The cell phone is an **essential** tool for many people. We use it to communicate, to **inform**, to share, and to entertain. According to a survey by the Pew Research Center, 85% of American adults now own a cell phone. The survey also shows some interesting information about how they use their phones. The top five uses for cell phones – besides talking to others – are taking pictures, texting, accessing the Internet, emailing, and recording video.



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A. Fill in the Blank, using words from the text.

Mobile phones have become a(n) (1)_____ part of daily life for most individuals. People rely on them not only to talk but also to (2)_____, to notify others, to spread knowledge, and for enjoyment. Based on a (3)_____ conducted by the Pew Research Center, a large percentage — about (4)_____ % — of American adults now possess a (5)_____.

The research also uncovers useful data on how people typically make use of their devices. Apart from voice conversations, the five main purposes for using a phone include (6)_____, sending written messages, browsing the web, checking and sending (7)_____, and filming content.

B. Find the synonyms (with the same meaning) of the given words.

1. cell phones =
2. to entertain =
3. according to =
4. own =
5. survey =
6. shows =
7. interesting information =
8. how they use their phones =
9. besides + V-ing/N = in addition to V-ing/N =
10. texting =
11. accessing the Internet =
12. emailing =