

Read the text about British teenagers and their mobile phones then do these exercises to check your understanding.

### 1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. | British girls send more text messages than boys.               | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | Some parents think that mobile phones are dangerous.           | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | Kiera takes away her daughters' phones if they behave badly.   | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | Mobile phones are not allowed at school in Britain.            | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | Tam is happy with her mobile phone.                            | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | Some teachers use mobiles phones to help their students learn. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

### 2. Check your understanding: gap fill

Complete the gaps with a word from the box.

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- LOL means '\_\_\_\_\_ out loud'.
- POS means 'parent over \_\_\_\_\_'.
- TYVM means 'Thank you very \_\_\_\_\_'.
- BCNU means 'be seeing \_\_\_\_\_'.
- ASAP means 'as \_\_\_\_\_ as possible'.
- OIC means 'oh I \_\_\_\_\_'.
- TTFN means 'ta ta for \_\_\_\_\_'.
- BFFL means 'best \_\_\_\_\_ for life'.

### 3. Check your grammar: multiple choice – prepositions

Circle the best preposition to complete these sentences.

1. Many parents want their children to have a phone so that they can be **in / on / at** contact at any time.
2. **On / Of / To** the other hand, for lots of parents a phone is a source of possible danger.
3. Some young people use mobile phones to send offensive messages **at / on / to** each other.
4. Mobile phones are permitted **on / to / at** school in the UK.
5. School students can use their phones **of / at / on** break time.
6. Some teachers complain that lessons are disrupted by people looking **in / at / to** social networking sites.
7. They record the dialogue **at / on / in** the phone.
8. Then they listen **to / of / at** the recording.

#### Discussion

Some parents confiscate their teenager's phone as a punishment for poor behaviour. Is that a good idea? What's your opinion? Should mobile phones be allowed in schools?