How smart is your phone?

Apparently we love our own cell phones, but we hate everyone else's. Joe Bob Briggs, writer and actor

G definite article: the or no the V phones and the internet P t

1 VOCABULARY phones and the internet

a Complete the sentences with words from the box.

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- 1 I <u>Skype</u> my sister in Australia every weekend.
- 2 I have a great weather _____. It tells me exactly when it's going to rain.
- 3 If you get an email from somebody you don't know, don't open any _____.
- 4 My new car has ______, so I don't need to use wires to connect my phone!
- 5 My friend posted a really funny ______ yesterday.
- 6 I can't ______ to my email account. I can't remember the password.
- 7 If I need information, I always ______ online.
- b Cross out the word in each group you can't use with the verb.
 - 1 download an app a friend a photo
 - 2 message a friend your sister a video
 - 3 post a photo a book a tweet
 - 4 send an email a phone call a text message
 - 5 Skype an app a friend your brother
 - 6 upload a photo a tweet a video
- Complete the sentences with the simple past form of the verbs from the box.

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- 1 When my brother wanted to get in shape, he <u>downloaded</u> an app that tracked how many steps he walked.
- 2 When my niece was in Brazil, she and my sister ______ three or four times a week.
- 3 When the actor died, his son ______ a tweet to tell everyone.
- 4 When Tom arrived in New York, he _____ his girlfriend a text message.
- 5 When I found the video of my favorite song, I ______ it with my friends on Facebook.
- 6 When she got back, she _____ her best vacation photos to Facebook.
- 7 When I _____, I typed the wrong password three times, so I couldn't use the website.
- 8 When they _____ for her name on the internet, they discovered she was a famous scientist.

2 **GRAMMAR** definite article

- a Circle the correct words.
 - 1 Can you open refrigerator / the refrigerator for me, please?
 - 2 Did you go to bed / the bed early last night?
 - 3 I usually have *dinner / the dinner* at six-thirty.
 - 4 I don't like romantic movies / the romantic movies. They're boring.
 - 5 Excuse me, how much are shoes / the shoes in the window?
 - 6 Hamburgers / The hamburgers in this restaurant are amazing.
 - 7 Did you see moon / the moon last night? It was really beautiful.
 - 8 She's nicest / the nicest person I know.
 - 9 Vegetarians / The vegetarians don't eat meat.
 - 10 I never go to work by bus / the bus.

b Correct the mistakes in **B**'s answers.

- A Where were you yesterday?
 B At the work.
- 2 A What do you do?
 - B l'm engineer.
- 3 A Where's the milk? B In a refrigerator.
- 4 A What's that? B A ID card.
- 5 A How often do you go? B Twice the week.
- 6 A What music do you like? B The rock music.
- 7 A How did you get there?B By a car.
- 8 A Where did you find it?B On internet.

- c Complete the sentences with the or (no article).
 - 1 We had _____ lunch at a nice Japanese restaurant.
 - 2 I learned to swim in <u>the</u> ocean.
 - 3 It's ______ newest model on the market.
 - 4 I don't think _____ young children need smartphones.
 - 5 Did you see _____ game? The LA Dodgers won.
 - 6 Did you read _____ my boyfriend's tweet?
 - 7 Can you open _____ door for me, please?
 - 8 We traveled by _____ subway when we were in New York.

d Complete the conversation with the or – (no article).

- A How often do you change your phone?
- B Very often. I like having ¹<u>the</u> most recent model. I usually only keep my phone for about a year.
- A What do you use your phone for most?
- B Probably ²_____ internet. And messaging. You know, things like SnapChat and Messenger.
- A So you don't use it much to talk to ³_____ people?
- B No, not very often. I prefer to send ⁴ ______ messages.
- A What other apps do you use a lot?
- B I have a sports news app because I love 5______ soccer and basketball. I use that a lot. And I have some games I like playing. I also use Skype because 6_____ my brother is living in Argentina right 7_____ now, so I sometimes use Skype to talk to him.
- A Do you like reading on your phone?
 B It depends. I don't like reading ⁸______
 books on my phone, but I read sports articles on
 - ESPN website on my way to
 work.
- A Do you have any unusual apps that you sometimes use?
- B I have a "sleep tracker" app.
- A What does ¹¹_____ app do?
- B It tells me when to go to ¹² bed and when to wake up. I also have an app that counts ¹³ calories. It helps me plan what to have for ¹⁴ breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

e What do you use your phone for? Complete the sentences for you. Write an adverb of frequency (*sometimes, usually*, etc.) in the first space.

1 I sometimes share photos of my cats on Facebook.

2	upload	
3 1	message	······································
4	Skype	
5 I	send	
6 I	post	
7	download	
8 1	search	

3 PRONUNCIATION the

 a Say the pairs of words and decide if the is pronounced the same or different. Write S (same) or D (different).

1	the song	the video	_ <u>S</u>
2	the letter	the email	D
3	the message	the tweet	
4	the art gallery	the museum	
5	the app	the internet	
6	the milk	the orange juice	
7	the architect	the engineer	
8	the keys	the umbrella	

b @11.3 Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the words.



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