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Mobile phones – are they a revolution gone bad?

If you were to get lost on the desert island, what would you like to have with you? Most of you will say - a mobile phone. The presence of mobile phones in our lives is enormous.

They play an important role both in personal and business sphere. All the contacts, the numbers and plans are safely stored in this little technology miracle. There's no need for you to have a computer, when you have a modern cell phone which can offer you internet surfing, taking photos and listening to the music. We don't even need an alarm clock - we have it on our phone. Why would we need private detectives when we can use applications on our mobile phones for GPS tracking?

Mobile phones allow us to shut down our brains. There's no need for knowing someone's phone number or birthday, when we can let our phone memorize those things for us. Mobile phones can also be blamed for many car accidents. On the other hand, they are "mobile", they allow us to be reachable anytime and anywhere. The communication and information flow is better and faster.

So, are they making our lives easier? It all depends on us. 18th century man without any mobile phone knowledge and mobile addict - it's all about striking the right balance between two extremes.

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