

# Worksheet A: Choosing the right mobile phone plan for you

## Part 1: Order your priorities

Number the following phone plan features from most important (1) to least important (14). Remember, there is no right answer and different people will value different things.

If something is important to you that isn't on the list, feel free to add it to the list.

| Priority | Feature  |
|----------|--|
|          | Low cost   |
|          | Phone included   |
|          | Top of the line phone model included                         |
|          | Unlimited data   |
|          | Data speed   |
|          | 5G network access  |
|          | Flexibility (e.g. not locked into a contract)                |
|          | Environmental impact (e.g. using a second-hand phone)        |
|          | International calling plan                                   |
|          | Access to subscription entertainment services                |
|          | No excess charges for going over minutes, SMS or data limits |
|          | Coverage (e.g. good reception)                               |
|          | Predictability (e.g. the same cost every month)              |
|          | Convenience (e.g. no need to buy top-ups)                    |
|          | Other (please write it here) _____                           |

## Part 2: Set your limit

When setting your limit, it is important to prioritise your needs over your wants. Write down how much you can afford per month.

| \$ | /Month |
|----|--------|
|----|--------|

## Part 3: Research your plans

Consider the priorities you listed in Part 1: Order your priorities and your monthly limit. With this in mind, investigate phone plans online and choose the plan that best meets your priorities.

When doing your research:

- Look at multiple mobile phone service providers
- Visit price comparison websites, but be aware that some comparison websites include sponsored content
- Look out for hidden or unexpected costs (e.g. additional charges for features like international calling or exceeding your data limit)

**The plan I chose was:**

**The plan costs:**

Note: If you are considering plans that don't have a fixed monthly cost (such as a pre-paid plan), you can estimate the monthly cost by considering how often you are likely to require a new plan.

**The features it includes are:**

**The downsides to this option are:**