negociating about getting a mobile phone

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1- Highlight the parents' arguments and the teenager's arguments with different colours.
2- Find the pairs to create a possible negociation.

I want to be autonomous .

It would be unfair for your sister if we bought you a mobile phone. She had one when she was 16 years old.

I could find a part-time job to pay for the mobile phone.

I can pay for half the package. You could pay for the other half.

I don't like texting messages and I'm good at writing. Don't worry !

If I was hurt in an accident, how could I call for help ?

When I'm on a surfing spot, you could come and take me there when I've finished surfing.

I'm ready to work harder at home and at school to please the family.

You don't need to have a mobile to feel autonomous !

When I'm abroad on a school trip, I could call you every evening.

If you haven't got enough money to pay for your package, how will you earn money ?

A mobile phone is dangerous for your health. It might kill you.

I can switch it off at night and when I don't use it to protect my brain from waves.

If you're afraid to go out you can stay home in your free time.

You don't have so many vital things to tell your friends. You can wait until you see them again.

If you want to call your friends, you will phone from our house.

I have very important things to tell my friends. It's a matter of life and death !

I can't take the fixed line outside when I go out !

If we offered you a mobile phone now, we're sure you would ask for a new one in two years.

If we give you a mobile phone, will you agree to do the housework , and work harder at school ?

When you use a phone, you must not only buy the object, but also pay for the right of using it. Who would pay for the package ?

You can't pay for the mobile phone and money doesn't grow on trees, you know !

You can use one of your friend's mobile phone if you want us to come to take you back home.

I can pay for the mobile phone with my pocket money.

I promise I will never ask you for another mobile phone. I'll pay for the future ones with my own money.

My sister isn't opposed to my having a mobile phone.

A mobile phone isn't so expensive !

This useless object costs a lot of money.

You could find it difficult to write in good English if you got used to texting messages all day.

If you were hurt in an accident, the driver could phone us.