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Analysis of: “Ubiquitous Mobile Phones are Becoming Indispensable”

This article by Gareesh K Gupta outlines the newfound necessity for human beings to have a mobile phone. Overall, the need for mobile phones has become very apparent. It is used for safety, business, security, and poverty mitigation. It is very hard to find someone without a smartphone in modern America.

When it comes to safety, cell phones provide an assurance that a person with a live cell phone will be able to be found and contacted at any time. Gupta talks about how parents love having cell phones now because it allows them to find their children in time of emergency. Mobile phones also provide a streamlined communication for business. Business owners went from sending emails and faxes from a stationary location to now being able to SMS text and email their clients and partners on the go. Communication can happen within seconds allowing business growth to skyrocket. Security also has been vamped with the use of mobile phones. If an individual has a security system in their house, with or without security cameras, they can receive alerts on their cell phone to warn them that the system has been tripped. The positives are endless when it comes to these exponentially improving devices.

Gupta also highlights some negatives of the mobile phone, like lack of awareness when driving or walking. Many deaths a year are caused by people texting and driving. Since texting has become the main form of communication for most, some people will attempt it while driving which takes driver awareness down almost as low as an intoxicated driver. While the mobile phone have become a marvelous success story, the world must recognize its danger as well.

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