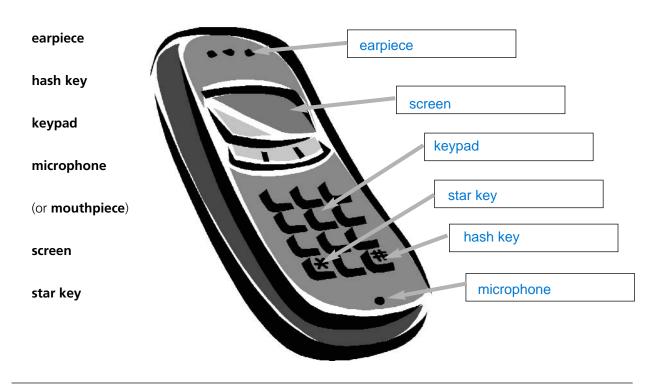
## 1.9 Mobile Phones

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#### **Mobile Phone networks**

contract	installed	networks	operators
pay-as-you-go	SIM card	roaming	tariffs
top up	users		

In Britain there are several mobile phone <sup>1</sup> <u>installed</u> including Vodaphone, O2, T-mobile and Orange. There are also <sup>2</sup> <u>operators</u> like Virgin Mobile who use the network of another company.

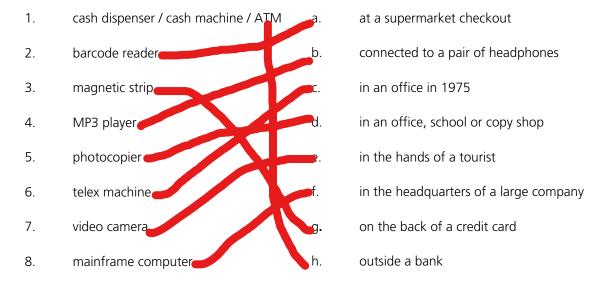
When you buy a cell phone, you have a choice of 3 <u>tariffs</u>. The most popular is "4 <u>pay-as-you-go</u>", with customers paying for their calls in advance. They can 5 <u>top up</u> their accounts in shops, over the internet, and at cash machines. Heavy 6 <u>users</u> may prefer a networks. They pay a fixed amount every month, but the calls are much cheaper than they are for pay-as-you-go customers.

Mobile phones usually come with a 8\_\_\_\_SIM card\_\_\_already 9\_\_\_contract\_\_\_. If you take the phone abroad, you may be able to use it on a local network. This is called "10\_\_\_roaming\_\_\_\_". It can be expensive, and it may be cheaper to buy a foreign SIM card.

Choose the best word.			
1. After 6pm, calls cost 20p	b minute		
<b>a.</b> for one	<b>b.</b> per	<b>c.</b> each	
2. You can't use a mobile in a	a cave because there's no	a	
<b>a.</b> network			
3. I need to charge up my mo	obile phone battery. Have y	ou seen my <u>a</u> ?	
<b>a.</b> charger	<b>b.</b> recharger	<b>c.</b> charging machine	
4. When you send a text mes	ssage, thec func	tion can help your write	it more quickly.
<b>a.</b> predicting text	<b>b.</b> predictive text	<b>c.</b> text predictor	
5. In the car, it's safer to use			
<b>a.</b> handless	<b>b.</b> no hands	<b>c.</b> hands-free	
6. If you don't want to dial a			
<b>a.</b> keypad locker	<b>b.</b> keypad lock	<b>c.</b> locker of keypad	
7. Which network has the lov			
<b>a.</b> call charges	<b>b.</b> call costs	<b>c.</b> call expenses	
8. My pay-as-you-go account	is about £7.		
<b>a.</b> balance	<b>b.</b> level	<b>c.</b> amount	
9. My average call			
<b>a.</b> time	<b>b.</b> length	<b>c.</b> duration	
10. We're a long way from th	ne nearest <u>b</u>		
<b>a.</b> broadcaster	<b>b.</b> antenna	<b>c.</b> transmitter	
11so the is ve	ery weak.		
<b>a.</b> sign	<b>b.</b> signal	<b>c.</b> transmission	
Which is <u>not</u> possible?			
12. I'll call her on my			
a. mobile phone	<b>b.</b> cell phone	<b>c.</b> moving phone	<b>d.</b> cellular phone
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13. A mobile phone can't wo <b>a.</b> SIM card	<b>b.</b> sim card	<b>c.</b> sim chip	<b>d.</b> similar card
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14. Don't forget to send me.			
a. a text message	<b>b.</b> a text	<b>c.</b> an SMS	<b>d.</b> a phone message
15. When I arrive, I'll			
a. text you	<b>b.</b> textualise you	<b>c.</b> send you an SMS	<b>d.</b> send you a text

## 1.10 Other devices

## A. Match the devices with the places you would find them.



#### B. Choose the best word.

- 9. When you pay by credit card, your card is \_\_\_\_\_\_
  - a. swooped

**b.** swiped

- c. swapped
- 10. A laptop computer with a screen you can write on is called a \_\_\_\_\_c
  - a. tablet PC

**b.** table PC

- c. flat screen PC
- 11. An image on TV or computer screen is made up of thousands of \_\_\_\_\_\_
  - **a.** points

**b.** pixels

- c. bits
- 12. You can draw directly onto a computer screen with a <u>c</u>
  - a. bright pen

**b.** light pen

c. pixel pen



- 13. A camera connected directly to the internet is called
- <u>C</u>\_\_\_\_.
  - **a.** an internet camera
- **b.** a web watcher

- c. a webcam
- 14. The woman in the photo is wearing a \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. headpiece

**b.** headphone

- c. headset
- 15. She talks to customers on the telephone all day. She works in a \_\_\_\_\_b\_\_\_.
  - **a.** telephone centre
- **b.** call centre
- c. talking centre

# 1.11 Inside a computer

### A. Processors and memory

chips dual core megabytes megahertz motherboard processor speed upgraded

The "brain" of a computer is the 1 <u>processor</u>. Most of these are made by Intel and AMD, and are sometimes referred to as "2 <u>upgraded</u>". The fastest processors are 3 <u>dual core</u>, which means that there are two processors working together. The 4 <u>speed</u> of a processor is measured in 5 <u>megahertz</u>, which is usually written as MHz.

A computer's memory is measured in 6 <u>megabytes</u>. If a computer has 1,024 megabytes of memory, and the memory type is SDRAM, this is written as 1,024 MB SDRAM, and is pronounced "a thousand and twenty-four megabytes ess-dee-dram".

The processor and memory modules are located on the <sup>7</sup> motherboard. Changing a computer's processor is not generally practical, but the memory can usually be <sup>8</sup> chips.

#### B. Power

disconnect fan mains electricity

overheating shock spikes

supply surge protector transformer

- 1. Laptops are powered by batteries or <u>supply</u>
- Mains electricity is converted to lower voltage by a transformer
- 3. A <u>surge protector</u> protects electronic equipment from damage caused by power <u>spikes</u>.
- 4. If you remove the cover from a computer, make sure you <a href="mailto:disconnect">disconnect</a> the electricity <a href="mailto:ma
- 5. The computer is cooled by a <u>fan</u>. This prevents the processor from <u>overheating</u>.

