

Cell Phones at Work



Pre-reading

Questions:

- Do you have a cell phone?
 - If yes, where and when do you use it?
 - If no, where do you see other people using their cell phones?

Definitions:

- Time clock – a clock that records a person’s beginning and ending of work time
- Voice mail – a spoken message left on a phone

Reading

Many people have cell phones. They talk on them in the car and in stores.

15 They talk on them while walking down the street. People use their cell phones a lot.

31 It is not **wise** to use cell phones in some places. Work is one of them. Most
48 bosses do not want their workers using their cell phones at work.

60 Bill brings his cell phone to work. He turns it off before he punches the time
76 clock. At break time he checks his voice mail and returns calls. He then turns off
92 his cell phone and goes back to work.

100 People at Bill’s workplace can use their cell phones during breaks and lunch
113 hours. At the end of his work day, Bill punches out on the time clock. Then, he
130 turns on his cell phone.

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Understanding

1. Where do people talk on their cell phones? _____

2. What does the word **wise** mean? _____

3. Why doesn't Bill use his cell phone while working? _____

4. When does Bill use his cell phone at work? _____

5. What does Bill do at the end of the work day? _____

Writing

Choice A: Retell the story in your own words.

Choice B: How do people use cell phones at your place of work?
