

Save Money on Your Telephone Bill

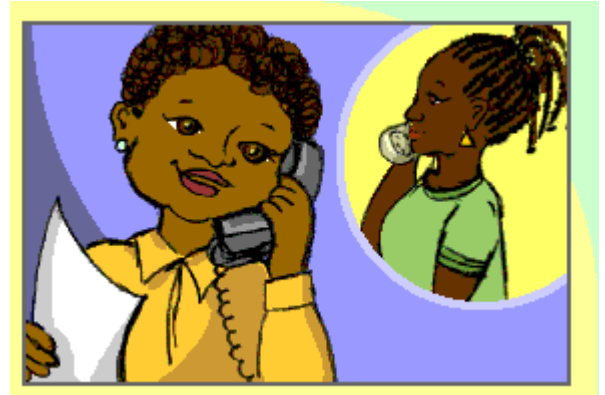
Pre-Reading

Questions:

- How much is your phone bill?
- Do you think that you pay too much?

Definitions:

- Waste – to fail to use



Reading

Paying bills is not fun. Many bills are even scary to open! Do you pay some large bills? How about your phone bill? Does the “**amount due**” seem to grow bigger every month?

How can you save money on your telephone bill? Try these ideas:

- Send an email or write a letter. You won’t need to make a long distance phone call.
- Use your cell phone if you have free minutes each month. Don’t waste them. If you have limited minutes, keep track of how long you talk. Going over your limit can cost you a lot of money.
- Cancel phone services you don’t use much. How about your call-waiting? Do you use it much?
- Choose a long distance plan that lets you call any day of the week. Keep track of when you make your long distance calls. Find a plan that fits your needs.

Understanding

1. What is the “amount due”? _____

2. What are two things you can do to save on long distance calls? _____

3. Why should you keep track of your cell phone minutes? _____

4. What extra phone services do you have? _____

5. When do you make most of your long distance calls? _____

Writing

How can you save money on your phone bill?
