

Are you looking to purchase a new cell phone? Nowadays, you can either buy a cell phone, or a crazy piece of machinery that takes pictures, surfs the web, records videos, and oh yeah, takes calls as well. When purchasing a cellular phone, you're making at least a year-long commitment, so you need to choose wisely.

Step 1 Research what phones are offered by your cell phone provider. There's no use looking at phones that are only offered by T-Mobile if you have service from Verizon. Unless you're willing to get a new cell phone company just to buy a particular phone.

Step 2 Think about price. Free phones may not have all of the features of expensive phones, but they still make phone calls. Can you live without the extras? If so, choose a free or inexpensive phone.

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Think about fashion and function. Unfortunately, you often have to choose one or the other when it comes to cell phones. Often, fashionable phones have lower functionality or lots of flaws, whereas functional phones work well, but look kind of plain.

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Think about how you treat your cellular phone. If you tend to drop your phone down the stairs, go for a resilient phone. You may want a fun, trendy phone, but if you break it once a month, it's just not worth having a breakable phone.

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Decide what features are important to you. If you need a full keyboard, purchase a phone that has one. Or, if you need a great camera, choose a phone with a high quality camera in it. Keep in mind, you may have to sacrifice one feature for another.