

The Phone

A wants an iphone XS, B thinks it's ridiculous. Change genders if you like, changing girls' names for boys'. A and B

B are siblings

A It's not fair, Stephanie and Isabelle both have one, Sonia has an iphone X and Izzy B has a Samsung.

B Oh please...

A But too be honest, I don't think the Samsung is as good, Izzy B says it's better but I don't think so, anyway, it wouldn't sync with my macbook would it.

B Give it a rest...

A I think that Mum and Dad are just being mean, I just can't survive without one! They can afford it, I mean, they send us to this school don't they, so they must have enough to get me a....

B Look, can you just shut up!

A What?

B You have been rambling on for the past twenty minutes about that flipping phone.

A But it is so unfair. I need one, I need to communicate.

B It is not unfair, you don't *need* a phone that costs a thousand dollars.

A But I need to contact my friends...and I....

B You need an iphone X to contact your friends when you already have a computer, so you can email, skype, facebook, instagram, snapchat, imessage and face time them – isn't that enough?

A But it's nice.

B It might be nice, it might be cool and it might be god's gift to human kind – but what it is a massive waste of money.

A It's only a thousand dollars.

B A thousand dollars! Listen to your self – only a thousand dollars!!

A But Stephanie said that when they went to the Maldives....

B Don't start quoting blooming Stephanie to me!! Stephanie is a spoilt little brat.

A That is so not fair, she is a very kind person, her birthday party at the Ritz Carlton she gave...

B Look, stop, stop, please just for a minute stop!

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A What?

B We saw a video today, in social studies, it was about orphans, in Africa. There were kids, the same age as us. No parents, they had died. And they were bringing up their brothers and sisters by sifting through rubbish on a rubbish tip.

A Euggghh!

B No, not 'Euggghh', this is not what you should feel!

A But it is horrible.

B Yes, it is horrible, but get out of your tiny little 'I need an iPhone X' world and wake up to what other people are going through.

A But I only...

B You only what!!

A I only want that, not anything else...

(long silence)

A OK, perhaps I have been a bit selfish – I'll just have the X, not the XS

A Ahhhhhh!