Phone cards can help you make calls overseas while saving money. But high fees can cost you time you thought you had, and money.

How do I compare phone cards?

Before you buy a phone card:

• choose at least two phone cards to compare
• find information about the fees. That information usually is on the sign for the card

• write the charges for:
  › maintenance fee
  › fee to dial the access number
  › fee to call a mobile number
  › fee to end the call

• compare the fees for the two cards. Choose the card that is best for you

How else can I save money?

• Buy cards for a small amount of money – for example, $2.00 or $5.00. You are buying fewer minutes. But you will not lose much money if the card does not work.

• Check the expiration date. Be sure you can use all the minutes by that date.

• Make sure you see a customer service number on the card. That means you can get help if you need it.
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What if I have problems with a card?

You might have a phone card that does not work. Or a card with fewer minutes than you thought. If you do, report it:

- Tell the person on the phone what happened. You can give as much or as little information as you want.