

Time Black Holes

Identify what takes up your time. The following are common problems or time "black holes" that prevent us from getting things done. Which ones affect you? You could also observe yourself over the course of a day or two, and tally what you find in the last column.

	Big problem	Often a problem	Seldom a problem	Not a problem
Cell phone, texting				
Internet, email				
TV, video games				
Reading (news, magazines, books)				
Transportation (traffic, car trouble)				
Socializing, social media				
Meals, snacking				
Shopping, errands				
Family				
Organized, Unorganized				
Losing focus				
Sleep				
Hobbies				
Other:				

Discuss

Do your time black holes fall into any patterns? Are there things that at first appear uncontrollable, but that you can actually control? What can you do to reclaim your time from these black holes?

What did you find? How can you manage your time differently?