

Having just had a brilliant experience with Baby Sitter UK, what could we do but recommend them to our viewers.



It is always difficult when travelling to find a baby-sitter that one can trust, not only to take care of your children the way you would like, but also to turn up on time and be friendly and professional.

Click on the logo above for their web site.

Parents can log on for free. Logging in is very easy and the site gives a lot of information.

Babysitting agencies can be a great way to solve your childcare problems. Many parents may feel a bit apprehensive at first – that's quite natural! But in our experience, parents using an agency for the first time will wonder afterwards what on earth they were concerned about. Remember – the childcarer has chosen to work with children because they enjoy it and you'll find that they are quick to put you and your family at ease. Before you know it - your family will get to know a small group of babysitters in your area – and with a bit of luck you'll never have the stress of finding childcare again!

- If there's anything in particular that your childcarer needs to know (such as instructions for medication, feed times, favourite toys/comforters, bedtimes), together with your contact details (and an alternative contact number if necessary), it's a good idea to jot these down in advance so that they can be referred to during the booking (and you can always use these notes again for bookings with other babysitters).
- Some parents choose to go out somewhere very local to home when they use a babysitter for the first time – so that they can easily pop home if need be.
- Ask your childcarer to send you a text message during the babysitting booking, to let you know that all is well and to put your mind at ease.
- Why not ask for the childcarer to arrive early (say, half an hour before you need to leave). Then you'll be able to introduce her to your children and see at first-hand how well she



