



Finding the Right Family



Family Interview Checklist

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Questions For a Potential Partner Family

Ask all the questions below, then compare side-by-side with your Personal Checklist.

NAMES

Logistics

RESPONSES

QUESTIONS

- When do you need care to start?
- Do you and your partner both commute?
- Do you or your partner work from home on a regular basis?
- What do your commutes look like? (trains, buses, driving route, etc)
- What is your regular schedule? Is it flexible?
- What range of times can you start care in the morning? (ex: 7:30 - 9:00am)
- What range of times can you end care in the evening? (ex: 5:30 - 7:00pm)
- How many days per week do you need childcare?
- How many hours per day do you need childcare?

Hosting vs. Dropping Off

RESPONSES

QUESTIONS

- What's your preference for hosting?
- Would you be open to alternating hosting and dropping off?
- Do you or your partner work from home?
- If so, do you have an appropriate workspace in your home to ensure you can focus and the nanny has space to provide quality care?
- Do you have pets?
- If so, will you be able to provide a pet-free sleeping space for the little ones?
- Is there public transit close to your home? Do you have parking available for your nanny and partner family?
- Are you a smoker? Do you prefer a non-smoking partner family?

Childcare Preferences

RESPONSES

QUESTIONS

- What is your child's current sleep schedule?
- What are your nap preferences?
(white noise machine, binky or no binky, etc)
- How do you want your child to sleep?
(For example, most childcare experts recommend that little ones sleep on their backs, but some parents prefer on the stomach with supervision)

Childcare Preferences (cont.)

RESPONSES	QUESTIONS
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Communication

RESPONSES	QUESTIONS
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