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Time Savers: Instant Sitter Search

Moms and moms-to-be take heed! If you're ever in need of a babysitter, Chicago-based Sittercity.com can help. With over 150,000 sitters and nannies registered, Sittercity.com makes it effortless to find a reliable childcare giver in your neighborhood. Rest assured, all of their registrants are over age 17. The site also sponsors "speedsitting" events to allow parents to meet and interview potential caregivers for five minutes each before hiring them. Sitter registration on Sittercity.com is free but parents pay a monthly fee. Not a mom? Sittercity.com also lists elderly care, house sitting, pet sitting and even house-cleaning services.