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## **Sittercity a Great Source to Find a Sitter**

**Q** I'd like to hire a college student who would live with us in exchange for shuttling my children, 15 and 11, to sports and afterschool activities. What's the best way to find such a person?

*- S.R.G., Maplewood, N.J.*

**A** A good place to start is a community Web site or job board in your area. Another potential source is a child-care Web site; a quick search of several, including Sittercity.com, produced long lists of candidates near your ZIP code. Take time to screen any candidate carefully, interviewing references and considering a background check if the job seeker is over 18.