

You can get into this job through:

- a college course
- an apprenticeship
- volunteering
- applying directly

Average salary

£27,131 - Starter

£29,609 - Experienced

Typical working hours each week

15-45

You could work evenings/weekends/bank holidays

Nanny

You may need:

- 2 or fewer GCSEs at grades 3 to 1 (D to G), or equivalent, for a level 1 course
- 2 or more GCSEs at grades 9 to 3 (A* to D), or equivalent, for a level 2 course

You may find it useful to do:

- Level 1 Award in Introduction to Health, Social Care and Children's and Young People's Settings
- Level 1 Award in Safeguarding
- Level 2 Certificate for the Children and Young People's Workforce

Many courses include a work placement.

Skills and knowledge. You'll need:

- sensitivity and understanding
- the ability to work on your own
- patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations
- to be flexible and open to change
- excellent verbal communication skills
- active listening skills
- the ability to understand people's reactions
- thinking and reasoning skills
- to be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device

Day-to-day tasks. In this role you could:

- feed, bath and dress children, and change babies' nappies
- teach basic social skills and hygiene
- provide a safe setting for children
- help children to learn through play
- take children on outings to widen their experiences
- do nursery and school runs
- organise play opportunities to help children mix with others
- prepare healthy meals and snacks
- tidy up and clean rooms used by the children
- keep records for the family

Nannies work in private homes caring for their employer's babies and young children.

Career tips & Progression

- You could choose to register with Ofsted. This is voluntary for nannies but may help you to get more work.
- With qualifications and experience, you could become a childminder, nursery officer or teaching assistant.
- You might also work as an au pair, living-in with a family in this country or overseas.
- With further training, you could become a children's nurse or early years teacher.

Further Information

- You can discover more about how to become a registered nanny here <https://www.gov.uk/become-childminder-nanny/register-nanny>