

## Daily Life - Getting A Nanny (C0272)

Grace: Hey Mel! Are you up for some tennis today?

Mel: Sorry, I can't! I have to go to work, pick up Jake and Maddie from school, and make them an afternoon snack, then take Jake to soccer practice and Maddie to dance class.

Grace: You sound exhausted. Maybe you should hire a nanny to help you out! She can pick the kids up and take them to their after-school activities. She can also help you do some household chores, and run some errands.

Mel: Oh, I don't know... it's hard to find the right nanny. You have to consider her previous work experience, the responsibilities you give her, and how she interacts with the kids. I would love to have someone to help me out, though.

Grace: I think you should definitely consider it! This way you won't have to juggle such a busy schedule, and you'll still get to spend time with the kids in the evenings. I can refer you this great nanny Amy. She used to work for my neighbors, before they moved away. She's very responsible, a good cook, and great with kids.

Mel: Oh, that's great. Thanks Grace. Can you give me her number? I'll talk it over with Dan and give her a call tomorrow. Maybe this way I won't be so tired every day, and Dan and I might even get to go on a date once in a while

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### Key Vocabulary

exhausted	<i>A</i>	very tired
hire	<i>V</i>	to give work
nanny	<i>N</i>	a woman who is paid to care for a young child
chore	<i>N</i>	a small job that is done regularly
errand	<i>N</i>	short journey that you take to do or get something
juggle	<i>V</i>	to do several things at the same time
refer	<i>V</i>	to send someone to a person or place for treatment

## Supplementary Vocabulary

Babysitter	<i>N</i>	A person that looks after kids when their parents are not home
Domestic Help	<i>N</i>	Any person that is hired to work at a residence
Minimum Wage	<i>N</i>	The lowest legal wage a person can earn either hourly or monthly
Maid	<i>N</i>	A woman that helps with the household chores such as cleaning and cooking
Butler	<i>N</i>	A man that helps with the household chores such as cleaning and cooking