

## **babysitters / 3 / the dark days**

Sometimes, we \_\_\_\_\_ home from a party to find the boys still in their clothes and fast asleep in any bed except their own. The baby-sitter smiled sweetly and said: "**Leetle boy beeg trouble**". Then she took her money and one of us \_\_\_\_\_ to drive her home.

Once in a \_\_\_\_\_, we would come \_\_\_\_\_ a wonderful baby-sitter, who would read to the children, put them to bed and then clean up the house while she was waiting \_\_\_\_\_ us to get home. But we always \_\_\_\_\_ to find these girls in the week before they had to fly back home to **Poland or Czechoslovakia**.

Most of the girls we hired were worse than \_\_\_\_\_, and did nothing for their money except **sit on the sofa**, eating our food and \_\_\_\_\_ at the television. \_\_\_\_\_, £20 is a small price to pay for a clear conscience.

But at last our baby-sitter days are behind us - and just as well, now \_\_\_\_\_ the summer holidays have begun and my wife is back \_\_\_\_\_ **work part-time**. I don't know how other working mums \_\_\_\_\_ in the school holidays. But we have George.

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