

Now you know you are eligible, we'd love to hear from you.

Please call a member of our adoption
team on **01364 645 480** or visit
familiesforchildren.org.uk

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Thinking of adopting a baby or child, but unsure if you are eligible?

Then check our **10 myths to
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There is no upper age limit to adopt

Adopters need to be at least 21 years old and have the potential to provide care and support for the child through to adulthood.

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Pets are allowed!

Provided your pet does not pose a threat to the child's health or safety, then it can be an excellent addition to the family.



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Single? No problem

Children have been adopted into stable, loving homes by single parents and couples, whatever their gender or sexual orientation, for many years.



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Renting, or worried about space issues?

To become an adopter in England, you don't need to be a home-owner, and you may have priority for council housing. If you have the space and security to care for children as they grow up, you will be considered.



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No ethnic matching

There are children from many different backgrounds waiting to be adopted. As long as you meet the child's needs you can adopt children of any ethnicity.



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Wage is no barrier

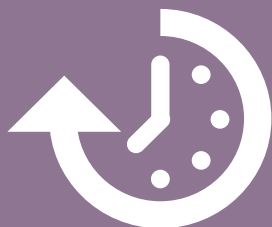
Being on low income or benefits should not stop you from becoming an adopter. You may be eligible for Tax Credits or other benefits and allowances, such as Disability Living Allowance and Carers Allowance if you adopt a disabled child.



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It's much quicker than you might think

In fact, you can now become approved as an adopter within six months from registration of interest.



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You can adopt if you already have children

...and you can adopt more than one child at once - some children will have siblings also waiting to be adopted.



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Disabilities or not, you can still adopt

Health problems and disabilities are not barriers to adoption, provided you can care for the child you adopt.



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Harder to place children need a home

Although we place children from birth upwards, there is a particular need for those who would consider sibling groups, older children and children with disabilities.

