

Brother and Sisters

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My first sister was a born nine months after our parents were married. I remember the time of her birth so well. My mother was in labour during the night, every time someone came out of the bedroom, I remember calling out is the baby here yet? I was so excited that I was not able to sleep until I had seen her. I remember having fun with her when she was a toddler, I loved making her laugh. She is a Lecturer in Tourism now working in London, she has a partner and together they have a family of three sports mad sons.

My brother was born 16 months later, I don't remember his birth, but I remember that he did a wee on me the first time I held him, and I remember saying that he had Chinese eyes, maybe that was why he wet me! I do remember not finding it so easy to entertain him, he was a very active baby and child and I think he probably needed a lot of input. My sister used to feed him foxes glacier mints, taken from the cupboard, so I remember keeping a close eye on him and keeping him safe. When we were at school during a game of football, he kicked his shoe through the window of my classroom, and broke it. He is still very active and very keen on Sports, if only I'd known, when he was a child unhappy in his playpen, that all I had to do was throw him a ball to keep him amused! He now works as a Housing Planning Officer in Wales, he has a Partner and a Son, who is also sporty and loves to play the drums.

My second Sister was born when I was eight years old. All three of us waited at the bottom of the stairs when her birth was imminent. We gradually moved ourselves up to the top of the stairs, then our dad would come out of the room, and each time move us down again. My sister was a happy quiet baby, who I looked after quite a lot, being that bit older. I used to have to wash her hair and tie it up for school, because I was more gentle than our mum. Funnily enough, my youngest daughter preferences my sister to do her hair than me for the same reason. She lives in Middlesex, like me she is a nurse, and has a partner and son who is very good at running and swimming.

All my siblings had sons, five in total. I was the only one of us to have girls.

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