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1. Have parents arrange childcare for their own children.
2. Have all of the parents pool their money to pay babysitters to watch all the children at a different room in the host home.
3. Have all of the parents pool their money to pay babysitters to watch all the children at a home other than the host home.
4. Have the older children (teens) supervise the younger children in another room of the host home.
5. Have a rotation schedule in which the adults from the group take turns supervising the children in another room of the host home.
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