



## A Family Approach Case Study—The Watson Family

**Ben Watson**

**Age: 5**

I like being at school the teachers are really nice to me and I get to do drawing and writing and play in the sand and my favourite is reading stories happy ones where children go on adventures and have big surprises. I wish my life was like the stories, happy.

I don't really have many friends they can't come round after school so they don't really bother with me anymore. Dad says I can have friends round but I never know what mood Mum's gonna be in so it's safer not to.

Most days when I get home I go straight upstairs I check on Nanny, sometimes Mum is a bit rough with her and she's old I worry that one day she might get hurt badly, then I go to my room and read and draw, it's better to be quiet and not make any noise then they might forget that I'm home.

I like it when Dad gets home, except sometimes Mum goes mad at him. I don't really understand why.

The childminder drops Grace off just after Dad gets home. If Mum's in a bad mood Dad just comes upstairs and looks after me and Grace and we go to bed early. I feel safer when Dad gets home I know he will look after me.



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