

# Entrepreneur Mom's

## List of Home Business Ideas

You have just taken the first step in starting your own home business – how *exciting!*

Depending on your work experience, passion, and hobbies, you might have a pretty good idea of what kind of business you want to start. Or, maybe you haven't got a clue! Maybe you are looking to start a second business. Wherever you are right now, here are a few ideas to get you started.



1. **Professional services consultant** (*think of your work and study background – what can you do*): Think: public relations, accounting, marketing, visiting nurse, dietician, graphic design, interior design, web design, business coaching, and consulting
2. **Child Care, pick up and drop off or aftercare**: How cool is this? This home business will let you spend time with your own child(ren) while you work! They also have an opportunity to make new friends. Regulations & licensing is big here and will differ from place to place so ***be sure to find out what is required*** in terms of certification, training, and insurance before you start.
3. **Tutoring**: this could be aimed at the struggling child who needs extra attention or an advanced class to help children excel. Academic, language, music.
4. **Take a hobby and make it pay**: photography, art, baking, swimming or sport instructor (yoga or personal trainer for example)
5. **Doggie day care or dog walker**
6. **Write a book** (*e-book or hard copy*) on your hobby, passion, experiences. What do you know? What are you good at? Where is your passion? If you don't feel confident enough to write on your own, hire a ghost writer to turn your great ideas into the flowing text your book deserves!
7. **Network marketing** (think Avon and Tupperware but there is now a wide range of new products). I get loads of emails about these types of

opportunities. Many have a small outlay to buy products and it takes effort on your part (but what doesn't!) to find customers and market yourself. But the products are already proven and often well known, which can be beneficial.

8. **Franchisee:** This is another one that I receive emails about all the time; this allows you to start and run your own business but someone else did the foundation work to create it. Not a lot of room for creativity and sometimes costly to start (but not necessarily so) but based on an already-successful business model.
9. **Transcriber and Data Entry**
10. **Writer:** press releases, blogs, feature articles, website copy etc.
11. **Editor:** for university student's papers, magazines, online sites
12. **Wedding/party planner:** How many children's parties have you already planned for your own little one? Get creative and turn this into a business!
13. **Virtual assistant:** if you have office experience then this may be for you. A virtual assistant helps an office out, as the name suggests, virtually. This includes word processing, data entry, bookkeeping, and research but all from the comfort of your own home.

*This is only a start, so keep thinking up ideas to add to this list...*

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