



9 tips for a good night's sleep





### Cut the caffeine

Caffeine sensitivity can vary, but doctors recommend limiting caffeine after 12pm.



## Avoid alcohol

Alcohol has a dehydrating effect and reduces sleep quality.



# Set boundaries

Take regular breaks during the day and switch off when it's time to do so.



### Disconnect

Beware of constant connectivity. Avoid blue light from screens before bedtime.



### Create rituals

Find the bedtime rituals that help you wind down and relax. A bath, candles, yoga etc.



# Lower the lights

If you can't block light in your bedroom, consider wearing a sleep mask.



# Keep it cool

From 9pm your core body temperature falls, easing you towards sleep. Make sure your bedroom is cool to help you on your journey towards sleep.



# Write down your anxieties

Worries always seem bigger at night. Write them down before you go to sleep, so they can be contained elsewhere.



## Have a routine

Go to sleep and wake up at the same time each day.



# Useful helplines





https://www.thecalmzone.net/



childline

Call 0800 1111 🛭

https://www.childline.org.uk/

ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME





https://giveusashout.org/





https://www.papyrus-uk.org/



**Call 116 123 for free** 

https://www.samaritans.org/?nation=scotland

Anxiety UK

03444 775 774

Text support: 07537 416 905 (open Mon-Fri 09:30-17:30)

https://www.anxietyuk.org.uk/

A useful website to use <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/urgent-support/">https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/urgent-support/</a>

Where to get help if you need support in school:



- Tutors
- Head of year support
- Heads of year
- Teachers
- Support staff
- Mental Health support workers
- SLT
- Well-being Champions
- Mental health Ambassadors
- Safe space stickers
- Library with a range of resources
- Anti-bullying ambassadors
- Peer mentoring program

