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PROFILE

I am submitting my CV to you to apply for the role of an English/Computing teacher at your school. I have been living in China since August 2017. I am a motivated individual that is hard working, and enjoys new challenging environments. I enjoy learning more about China, it's culture & language, as well as teaching methodologies, classroom management and engagement techniques. I have taught for two companies in my five years in China at both primary school and middle school level. I have also taken part in a number of summer camps.

KEY SKILLS

- I am proficient in computers from the basics like using word/powerpoint and using interesting interactive elements in classes to having industrial experience as a web software programmer in the UK.
- I have developed and continue to work on classroom management strategies to keep students happy and engaged in each lesson by keeping each lesson as diverse and interesting as possible.
- I am always punctual to class and to school. I have only had three sick days in the past three years.
- I am good at developing a structure to a class that allows students to learn through chunks.
- I have diverse experience working with different classroom sizes (from 25 to 56 students), and different ages (grade 1 to 8).

WORK

I have worked in China for the past five years for two different employers. I have listed their details below:

2021 - 2022 Shenzhen (Haida Shenzhen)

- Year 5: Shenzhen Bao'an Foreign Language School (Middle & Primary, Grade 3, 7, & 8, Oxford English text book, student weekly newspaper reading, Oxford reading tree books)

My roles

- I worked with Chinese English teachers to coordinate oral English classes to develop and reinforce material from their classes.
- Managed classroom behaviour without TA and reported feedback of the classes to the school.
- Helped teachers with the development of their own class material that can be used alongside my classes.
- Improved students reading and critical thinking abilities through reading newspaper articles and getting students to talk/debate the topics.
- Ran a debate class for students on Tuesday evenings for students to improve their debating skills through different debate formats.

2017 - 2021 Shanghai (Pacican Academy)

- Year 4: Shanghai Zhabei Middle School + other schools (Grades 1 to 8, Oxford English text book)
- Year 2 & 3: Tianshan No.1 Primary School (Changning district, Grades 1 to 3, Oxford English text book)
- Year 1: Rixin Experiment School (Minhang district), Grades 1 to 3, Oxford English book

My Roles

- I worked at schools across five of Shanghai's different districts and got to learn different classroom management techniques that can be used for different classroom setups and sizes.
- Participated in spelling bees, talent shows, student award ceremonies, Christmas and Halloween and Easter events, and a sports day.
- Reviewed students' performance through semester oral examinations, and provided feedback and lesson plans to the faculty heads.
- I coordinated activities for students to do such as posters, performances, and essays/speeches that were used to decorate the schools' walls and provide a positive image to those entering.

Additional Experience

I have also worked at a number of different summer camps.

- In Beijing in August 2017 I taught high school students (aged 17-18) for two weeks how to improve their oral English.
- In 2019 I participated in a 2 week summer camp for primary school students teaching them about how to use English in a supermarket, on an airplane, and while playing sports. Each classroom had complete props (such as a supermarket classroom) to make the lessons very fun and engaging for the students.

- In June 2020 I worked at two summer camps in Shanghai providing Chinese English teachers with training about an ESL classroom environment. The games and activities we can play to vary our lessons. We also provided some English classes for those teachers to help improve their oral English.

SGP Consulting. *July 2015 – July 2016*

I was fortunate enough to work for SGP consulting as my internship year at university. At SGP consulting I worked on a team of around 7 people building and maintaining an online housing estate agent platform. I was the co-lead backend developer working on programming the database, server requests, and functionality of the software. My time at SGP consulting was extremely useful as they gave me a lot of responsibility including managing the clients data, answering the phones, and teaching two apprentices about programming and the company's software.

EDUCATION

Northumbria University, Newcastle, UK. *September 2013 – June 2017*

- Achieved a 2:1 - Computer Science Bsc (Hons)

Queensbury School, Bradford, UK. *September 2005 – June 2013*

- A-Levels - Level 3 ICT (AA), Geography (B), General Studies (B)
- AS-Level - Accountancy (E)
- GCSEs - 16 A-C, including English language, English literature

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

My hobbies include watching football, boxing, and MMA, learning Chinese, and travelling. In the time that I have lived in China I been fortunate enough to be able to travel to around 20+ cities within China, and a further 20 in the rest of Asia. I enjoy travelling both with friends and solo. I would like to continue my Chinese language learning and hopefully find a new language partner/teacher to learn from each day.

REFERENCES

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