



## **FAQs**

### **1) CAN TEACHERS SAVE ANYTHING FROM THEIR SALARY?**

Yes most definitely. While this is always dependent on the lifestyle a person lives, many teachers reportedly save over half of their salary.

### **2) DOES ASK RECRUIT FAMILIES?**

Yes, we actively recruit singles, couples and families.

### **3) WHAT SUPPORT IS THERE FOR TEACHER'S DEPENDENTS?**

Each individual teacher contract is allowed one dependent whether a non-teaching spouse or child. ASK will pay for residency costs, health insurance, annual return airfares and ASK tuition costs if applicable.

### **4) IS KUWAIT SAFE?**

While Kuwait has been constantly in the press in recent years, it remains an extremely safe, peaceful and a US friendly country. The ongoing conflict in Iraq and Palestine/Israel has no real impact on Kuwait nor should it in the future.

### **5) WHAT IS IT LIKE FOR WOMEN IN KUWAIT?**

While Kuwait is an Islamic country, it has a very western feel about it. Women do not need to be covered at all and providing they do not dress provocatively they are free to wear what they wish.

### **6) CAN WOMEN DRIVE IN KUWAIT?**

Yes, most women including Kuwaitis drive.

### **7) WHAT IS THE ROAD SYSTEM LIKE?**

Roads and freeways are highly developed. Traffic can be very busy and is usually fast.

### **8) DO YOU NEED A CAR IN KUWAIT?**

We find a majority of teachers do buy cars although the school provides a bus to and from school.

### **9) DOES THE SCHOOL SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT?**

Yes, we feel really strongly about this and have an annual professional development allowance of approx. \$350 US. The school also supports many other professional development initiatives and activities.

### **10) WHAT IS THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM LIKE?**

There is a well organized and effective bus service which runs all over the city. Taxis are readily available and reasonably priced.

### **11) WHAT IS THE PRICE OF GAS/PETROL?**

About 80 cents a US gallon

### **12) DO YOU HAVE TO SHARE AN APARTMENT?**

No, singles have their own apartment.

### **13) CAN YOU PAINT YOUR APARTMENT?**

Yes you can. Your apartment will be white or neutral on arrival and can be decorated as you wish with certain stipulations.  
number of after school activities.



**14) WHAT IS THE AVERAGE STAY OF OVERSEAS HIRES AT ASK ?**

Approximately 4.18 years

**15) CAN YOU PURCHASE WESTERN PRODUCTS?**

Yes, there are many products available in electronics, food, and entertainment.

**16) WHAT IS THERE TO DO FOR FUN?**

There are a variety of activities. These would include running clubs, reading groups, golf, basketball, and going to the movies and shopping. For students the school provides a vast number of after school activities.

**17) IS IT DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN A VISA FOR VISITOR?**

Generally no. Kuwait now allows residents of several countries, including the US, to purchase a Visa when they arrive at the airport. Otherwise, there is a procedure to go through but, normally there is no problem and visitors are welcomed.