

# Leo BARLOW

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## Work Experience

- Feb 2022 - **English teacher (Milestone Institute, Bundang)**  
First to fifth grade teacher at a selective language academy just outside Seoul, South Korea. I give intermediate to advanced classes on grammar, essay writing and reading comprehension. My duties also include communicating with parents and writing reports.
- Jun - Sep 2019 **English tutor (Freelance, Seoul)**  
Privately tutored several students in Seoul part-time, creating most lesson materials myself.
- Jul 2018 **English teacher (Studio Cambridge, Ely)**  
Taught elementary and upper intermediate English at a summer school for international students. I also prepared teaching resources, wrote reports and coordinated day trips.
- Jun 2015 **Intern (Rampart Capital, London)**  
Performed market research with Bloomberg Terminal and wrote up potential investments.

## Education

- 2017 - 2021 **MA Linguistics (The University of Edinburgh)** First Class  
Studied core concepts in second language acquisition, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, phonology, phonetics and speech technology. Coursework projects included implementing a concatenative speech synthesizer in Python and building a unit selection voice from recordings of my own speech. My dissertation — marked excellent on all counts — used convolutional neural networks to predict how well metaphors like ‘bright’ or ‘full’ described a given sound.
- 2010 - 2017 **The Perse School (Cambridge)**
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| A Level  | Economics, History, French   | A*, A, A |
| AS Level | French, Mathematics  | A, B     |
| EPQ      | “To what extent can Old Church Slavonic be considered a constructed language?” | A*       |
| GCSE     |  | 9A*, 1A  |

## Qualifications

- 2019 **Three-Week Program (Yonsei University, Seoul)**  
Intensive Korean language course with an emphasis on practical conversation.
- 2018 **CELTA (Bell English, Cambridge)**  
EFL teaching course totalling 120 contact hours, including 6 hours of observed teaching.
- 2017 **Piano Grade 8 (TCL)**  
With distinction.
- 2016 **Ballet Grade 8 (RAD)**

## Skills and Interests

Languages      **English, Russian, French, Korean**

I have studied languages to a conversational level at various points in my life, including at home (Russian), in school (French) and at university (Korean).

Instruments    **Piano, accordion, acoustic guitar, banjo, mandolin**

I enjoy teaching myself new instruments in my free time and formerly played in the Edinburgh University Folk and Traditional Music Society.

Programming   **Python, C, R**

Many of my university courses involved using Python in a Unix environment. I also have some experience programming in C and using statistics packages in R.