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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 covering reading comprehension, writing and debate skills. My duties include communicating with parents, writing reports and filming speeches.
- Jul 2021 **Content writer (Kung Fu Tea, Edinburgh)**
Helped design a digital storefront in Ecwid for a new brand selling high-end Chinese teas.
- 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, supervised children during activities 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, writing a language acquisition research proposal and building a unit selection voice from studio recordings of my own speech. For my dissertation — marked excellent on all counts — I 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 learned 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, electric bass, acoustic guitar, banjo, mandolin, bodhrán I teach myself new instruments in my free time and formerly played in the Edinburgh University Folk and Traditional Music Society. I am also familiar with subtractive and wavetable synthesis and enjoy experimenting in sound design.
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 common statistics packages in R.