**Matthew James Tootell**

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**Profile**

An experienced teacher who has run his own successful language academy in South Korea for over ten years, returning to the Lancashire area to begin a new career in web development.

**Relevant Skills**

Online portfolio at [www.matthewjames.xyz](http://www.matthewjames.xyz).

2018 Introduction to Computer Science and Programming Using Python.

MITx - 6.00.1x through edX. Certificate with 97% final grade.

2017 CS50’s Introduction to Computer Science. Using C, Javascript and Python. Final project involving Ajax and Jinja.

HarvardX - CS50 through edX. Certificate with 100% final grade.

2016 - pres. Codecademy online courses at [www.codecademy.com](http://www.codecademy.com). Completed courses and projects in HTML and CSS, SASS, Javascript, jQuery, Python, git and using the Command Line.

**Education**

1996 - 2000 Degree: **University of Birmingham**

BSc. Mathematical Science with Study in Continental Europe

3rd Class Honours

1996 A-Levels: **Bolton School**

Further Mathematics (A), Mathematics (A), Physics (A), Chemistry(A), General Studies (A)

1994 GCSEs: A\* (3), A (8) including English (A), Mathematics (A\*) and Art (A)

**Work Experience**

2008 - pres. **Mirae English Language Academy, Naegi ri, Pyeongtaek si, South Korea**

**Co-owner and English Instructor**

Involved in every aspect of the business, from teaching up to thirty-two hour-long classes a week, to creating a curriculum and conducting monthly student evaluations. Extensive use of Microsoft Word in designing, formatting and assembling supplementary booklets and homework papers. Students often stayed with our academy throughout elementary and middle school, while several alumni have gone on to study at prestigious high schools and universities in South Korea.

2004 - 2008 **Naegi Elementary School, Pyeongtaek si, South Korea**

**English Instructor**

Co-taught classes of 35 students alongside a Korean English teacher in a public elementary school. This involved multimedia presentations using CD ROM and working fluidly as part of a team along with my co-teachers. National testing showed a marked improvement in the English ability of students after four years. During this time I was webmaster of the Yahoo group for all of the native English teachers working in Gyeonggi province elementary schools, moderating the forum and organising downloadable lesson plans and ideas.

2003 **Kukje Language Academy, Suwon, South Korea**

**English Instructor**

Taught English to employees at companies including Samsung and General Electric. Companies specifically asked for me to teach their employees, praising my rapport with the students and class presentation skills.

2002 **Thomas Computer Supplies Ltd., Leyland, Lancashire**

**Account Manager**

Maintained the accounts of businesses across the North West. Exceeded my sales target by more than 20% for each of my final four months.

2001 **iForce Ltd., Erdington, Birmingham**

**Account Executive**

Gained valuable experience at a large logistics company. Responsible for the distribution and maintenance of stock for international companies including Vauxhall and British American Tobacco, working on iForce’s own warehouse management software, SMART, together with Microsoft Access databases.

2000 **SATRO, University of Birmingham, Birmingham**

**Administration**

Part of a team responsible for coordinating a summer science fair for 15,000 local students. Organisation of this project required complex scheduling using Microsoft Excel. The successful implementation of this fair led to a permanent position.

**Further Information**

**Sports**  Captained the university mathematics football team for two years with the responsibilities of arranging training sessions and trials, refereeing and purchasing equipment for one 11-a-side and two six-a-side teams. We became the most successful departmental team, winning every competition.

**Languages** Conversational in French and Korean. Basic Spanish and German.

**Overseas** An experienced traveller with a unique point of view having worked and spent lengths of time in a number of different countries. Notably:

**1998/99:** Studied mathematics for a year at Claude Bernard University, Lyon, France.

**2000 and 2002:** Taught football at Camp Harlam summer camp, Pennsylvania, USA.

**2002:** Studied for one month in Guadalajara, Mexico, to earn a TEFL(Teaching English as a Foreign Language) Certificate.

**2002/3:** Spent seven months travelling overland from New York to Panama City.

**2003 - pres.:** Have lived in South Korea for over fifteen years.