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SUMMARY

I'm a Visual and Performing Arts teacher, a Computer Science teacher, an Infant teacher, a TEFL teacher and a Google Educator, working and living in Asturias, Spain. I've been working as a teacher since 2005 and I'm passionate about learning new techniques that will make me a better teacher. I'm enthusiastic about innovation in education and a keen adopter of new technologies that facilitate and improve teaching methods.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

March 2020 – Present

Online Resources Officer, TESOL-SPAIN, Spain www.TESOL-SPAIN.org

In this role, I have been responsible for updating the TESOL-SPAIN website and social media feeds. I have also taken on the responsibility of hosting online webinars and helping to organise the annual convention.

September 2010 – Present

Infant, Visual and Performing Arts and Computer Science Teacher, Palacio de Granda, Asturias, Spain
www.palaciodegranda.com

During my time at Palacio de Granda I have worked with nearly all age groups in Infants, Primary and Secondary education. I started working primarily as an Infant teacher, teaching students of ages 2 to 4, but since 2015 I've also started teaching Visual and Performing Arts to primary and secondary students. I've learnt a lot about teaching English through theatre and the positive impact it can have, and I've been responsible for putting on theatre productions with varying age groups.

In 2020, I was given the responsibility of teaching Computer Science to primary students. This has involved teaching coding and programming, robotics, graphic design and digital citizenship.

September 2016 – Present

Cambridge Speaking Examiner and Invigilator, Expert English, Asturias, Spain

I have been trained as a speaking examiner for Young Learners (Starters, Movers and Flyers), KET, PET and First Certificate (FCE).

September 2010 – July 2012

TEFL Teacher, Camden English Centre, Oviedo, Asturias, Spain

I taught students of all ages and levels and began preparing students for the official Cambridge exams for levels KET, PET, First Certificate (FCE) and Advanced (CAE). I prepared a wide variety of classes, primarily textbook orientated, but I became more specialised in creating conversational classes.

September 2009 – July 2010

TEFL Teacher, Centro Británico y Español, Oviedo, Asturias, Spain

I taught students of all ages and levels and began preparing students for the official Cambridge exams for levels KET, PET and First Certificate (FCE).

Summer holidays 2008 – 2009

Director of Studies, English Summer SL, Tarragona, Cataluña, Spain

In my 4th summer working at English Summer I was promoted to Director of Studies, and worked in this position for 2 summers. I was responsible for managing a team of 15 to 20 teachers, and ensuring the

curriculum was delivered effectively. I had to class the students appropriately and aid teachers where necessary with their classes and behaviour problems. I also had to work very closely with the camp director in order to maintain the smooth running of the camp.

September 2007 – June 2009

Actor, Moving On SL, Aranjuez, Madrid, Spain

During 2 years I toured around all of Spain working with an educational theatre company. The play was written primarily for secondary students, and I performed more than 500 shows to thousands of students across Spain. This experience taught me so many things, but most importantly how theatre can be used as an educational method for teaching English.

September 2006 – June 2007

Teaching Assistant, IES Virgen del Remedio, Alicante, Spain

Once I graduated from University, I was keen to continue working as a TEFL teacher in Spain, so I applied to the British Council as a language assistant. I worked with students from all of secondary education, aged from 12 to 17, working mainly on conversational skills. Living in Alicante during the year I was able to improve my Spanish considerably.

Summer holidays 2005 – 2007

TEFL Teacher, English Summer SL, Tarragona, Cataluña, Spain

For 3 years, during my summer holidays whilst I was at university, I worked as a TEFL teacher on summer camps in Tarragona. It was an invaluable experience as I learnt lots about teaching English as a foreign language, as well as the Spanish culture and language.

Summer 2004

Outdoor Activity Instructor, PGL UK Ltd, Shropshire, UK

My first job working with children taught me a lot about leading large groups of children from ages 5 to 16. I taught a variety of activities such as team-building, orientation, raft-building, fencing, and canoeing. I later became a specialist in Motorsports, and was responsible for running introductory activities for quad bikes and motorbikes. As part of this, I also had my first experience teaching students from France and Spain, and English was not their first language.

SKILLS

My mother tongue is **English**, but after more than 10 years in Spain I consider myself **bilingual**, with fluent verbal and written skills in **Spanish**. I've also had a considerable amount of experience with translation, primarily from Spanish to English.

In the last few years I have gained a good working knowledge of Google's G-Suite for Education. I am a certified **Google Educator Level 2** and have specialised in creating and teaching **digital creativity**. Video editing has become my strongest skill and in 2019 I was named a [WeVideo Education Ambassador](#) and have hosted several teacher training sessions for [GEG SPAIN](#). Many examples of video and photo editing that I have created are available on my [personal blog](#).

EDUCATION

September 2003 – July 2006

University: Loughborough University

Course: Architectural Engineering and Design Management

September 2001 – July 2003

College: Vyners School, Ickenham UK

Results: 1 B grade in Economics, 2 C's in Geography and Art

September 1999 – July 2001

College: Vyners School, Ickenham UK

Results: 14 GCSE's Grades A*-C, including 1 A* and 2 A's