

KEN MURPHY

TEFL Teacher

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PROFILE

A confident and perceptive ESL Teacher with excellent interpersonal skills. Creative and passionate with a proven record for adapting to different cultural environments. A strong team player, fully committed to meeting each student's individual requirements.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2020 - 2023 **ESL Teacher - Online English Teaching**

Having previously worked in China as an ESL Teacher, the private school subsequently closed down due to the pandemic. I remained in contact with many of the students via WeChat, assisting with public school English exam questions, grammar and general conversational skills.

2022 - 2023 **Graphic Designer/Production Manager Networks Creative**

Dublin, Ireland

2018 - 2019 **ESL Teacher JET (Jieyang English Training)**

Jieyang, Guangdong Province, China.

Private English Language School

Duties: - Teaching English to individuals and groups of up to 12 students.
- Maintaining classroom and student records in accordance with school policy.
- Lesson planning and designing of short courses.
- Design and production of flash cards, classroom displays and event posters.
- Correspondence/meetings with parents.
- Performance sheets for over sixty students, outlining progress, attention and discipline in class and suggested home studies. Every two months.

80% of students; Primary School, grade 1 - 6 (6 - 12 years)

20% of students; Junior Secondary School (chuzhong), grade 7 - 9 (12 - 15 years)

Additional classes I was chosen to teach;

Kindergarten (3 years+)

Senior (Upper) Secondary School, grade 10 - 12 (15 - 18 years of age)

Adult English classes for teaching assistants and members of administration.

2018 - 2019 **ESL Teacher Jieyang Overseas Chinese Middle School**

Jieyang, Guangdong Province, China.

Public Secondary School

Duties: Extracurricular English Classes

Clarification of exam questions, colloquial terms and conversational English.

Classes of 60 students approx. (18+ years), one day a week.

- 2016 - 2018 ESL Teacher**
Chat! One to One English
Benimaclet, Valencia, Spain.
An initiative I established with three other teachers providing one to one English lessons for individuals.
Formal and casual conversational English, business and technical language skills.
- 2012 - 2020 **Online Freelance Graphic Designer**
Giant Mouse Marketing and Design, Dublin, Ireland.
771 Import & Distribution, Jieyang, China.
Valencia Now, Valencia, Spain.
OdinCrest, Hong Kong.
- 2005 - 2011 **Freelance Graphic Designer**
Aquent, Design Agency, Melbourne, Australia.
Desktop Zoo, Design Agency, Melbourne, Australia.
Real Estate Media, Melbourne, Australia.
Associated Graphics, Melbourne, Australia.
Central Equity, Melbourne, Australia.
- 2001 - 2006 **Design & Production Manager**
McMillan Print Management, Melbourne, Australia.
- 1997 - 2000 **Senior Graphic Designer**
Greinwalder Marketing Services GmbH, Munich, Germany.
- 1990 - 1997 **Graphic Designer**
Baggot Print & Design, Dublin, Ireland

EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

- 2020 Programming using HTML and CSS**
4 months online learning. Awarding body: Microsoft
HTML and CSS fundamentals.
- 2018 TEFL Training**
Level 5 TEFL Certificate | 20 hour in class + 120 hour on-line.
The TEFL Academy, UK
Course included:
Creating lessons and teaching materials for a range of levels from elementary to advanced.
Teaching speaking, listening, reading and writing;
- Material and resource creation, utilising the internet.
- Needs analysis and teaching in different situations.
- Classroom management and teaching techniques.
- Language analysis; vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation.
- 2006 Train the Trainer Course**
3 week intensive full-time course,
Personal Development Training, onsite training, Melbourne, Australia.
Course included:
- Understanding and identifying training needs.
- Planning and developing a training session. Time management.
- Questioning techniques and learning principles.
- Assessment and evaluation.

INTERESTS

A keen artist, I enjoy oil and acrylic painting, photography and design.
I play violin and guitar and regularly attend live concerts, from classical to rock.
Visiting other countries regularly, I've always loved travel, I enjoy playing chess, watching movies and keeping fit - group walks, hiking and mountain biking.

I've been involved in organising intercambio nights in Valencia, Spain, English speakers mix socially with Spanish speakers to improve language skills.
I've been a volunteer for several charities including St.Vincent de Paul in Dublin, Ireland and The Starlight Children's Foundation in Melbourne, Australia.
I also volunteered as a tutor/mentor in Jieyang, China, for an initiative set up by local people to help disadvantaged children - art, music and basic English language skills.

SKILLS

A native English speaker, Spanish (intermediate), German (basic), Cantonese (basic).
Design of posters, promos and educational materials for schools when required.
Proficient in Adobe Suite CS6;
InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop, Dreamweaver and Premiere Pro.
MS Office, competent on Mac and PC platforms.

Further information and references available on request.



CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

The TEFL Academy
is pleased to certify that

Kenneth Murphy

has successfully completed the

CLASSROOM TEFL COURSE [20 HOURS]

on the 10th of December 2017

Andrew Norman

Andrew Norman
Programme Director

Rhyan O'Sullivan

Rhyan O'Sullivan
Academic Director





THE TEFL ACADEMY
A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

Kenneth Murphy

has achieved the following qualification:

**TQUK Level 5 Certificate in Teaching
English as a Foreign Language (RQF)**

Qualification Number: 601/5234/5

Awarded on: 21/05/2018

Certificate Number: 6014222

Guided Learning Hours: 168

Student ID: SIDIE64625



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Jieyang English Training

揭阳英语培训

REFERENCE

KEN MURPHY

2019-07-18

Ken Murphy came to our school in August 2018 on a one month trial basis. Within two weeks, Ken had already established himself as a valued member of our team. Ken's introductory classes alone were so refreshing, he instantly gained the trust of our students, teaching assistants and fellow teachers. Ken makes friends with his students, with this trust they are keen to learn and value every class. His friendly, energetic, enthusiastic approach is the best, his love of teaching is shown in every class.

Ken has remarkable patience, he is so attentive to each student, he gains a mutual respect and is quick to give praise and recognition when it's due. Ken is a very creative teacher, on one occasion he organised a Halloween week, designing posters, classroom decorations and even helped us organise costumes. Not only was it exciting for the students, each class were keen to learn foreign customs and traditions.

On a weekend away trip to Fujian where parents accompanied their children, Ken was our first choice of teacher to interact and give lessons. He proved a huge success with both students and parents alike, always eager to be involved.

Ken reformed our written assessments that we send to all parents, his extensive reports were more insightful for parents, more personal and constructive for all.

Many parents have praised Ken for his manner in teaching, he has given students more confidence and enthusiasm in learning not just in our school but also in the public schools they attend. We also selected Ken for our in-house adult classes, various levels of English.

Zheng Jieling

