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**PROFILE**

I am a motivated, versatile, and creative individual, educated to degree level, with a vast array of transferable skills derived from extensive industry experience within logistics, customer service, and digital support services. I have recently studied and achieved the TEFL Level 5 Diploma in Teaching English as a Foreign Language, with an added 10-hour practical classroom course. I have a love of reading and other interests ranging from cooking, sports, history, economics, and business to arts and culture, with a particular passion for video editing. I have travelled extensively, lived and worked abroad, and am currently learning the French language. After many years of employment in a variety of environments, I am a dedicated individual who is looking forward to bringing all my experiences and empirical knowledge to what I believe will be a challenging, rewarding, engaging, and ultimately fulfilling career: teaching English.

**EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS**

The TEFL Academy – June 2023

* **Level 5 Diploma in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL)**
* **Teaching Business English (TEFL)** (30 hrs Accredited short course)
* **Teaching Online and One to One (TEFL)** (30 hrs Accredited short course)
* **Teaching English to Young Learners (TEFL)** (30 hrs Accredited short course)

Goldsmiths College, University of London

* **BA (Hons) Historical Studies**

People Cert – April 2020

* **Prince2 Foundation Certificate in Project Management**
* **Prince2 Practitioner Certificate in Project Management**

IT Qualifications

* **MCP, MCSA (historical), Network+, A+**

Ernest Bevin School/VI Form College

* **A Levels:** History, Fine Art
* **GCSE:**  History, Art, Maths, English Language, English Literature, Sociology, Biology and Design & Realisation

Accreditations from the Digital College in:

* Basic Bookkeeping
* Intermediate Microsoft Word
* Intermediate Microsoft Excel

**EXPERIENCE**

2021 – Present **Part-time Gardener** - Self employed

**Key Responsibilities:**

* All manner of gardening maintenance duties.

2022 **Gardener** - Chesil Beach Gardening Services

**Key Responsibilities:**

* All manner of gardening maintenance duties.

2017 - 2021 **Postman -** Royal Mail

**Key Responsibilities:**

* Sorting and delivery of mail and parcels.
* Responsibility for the collection of mail.
* Extensive face-to-face customer service.

2010 – 2016 **Fine Art Transport Technician -** Sterling Art Services

**Key Responsibilities:**

* Responsible for logistical transportation for fine art auction houses: Sotheby's, Christie's, Bonham’s and Phillips as well as private clients.
* High level of professional expertise and a conscientious approach to ensure the safety and integrity of the world's most famous works of art.
* Extensive face-to-face and telephone customer service.
* Regularly conducting work in mainland Europe.

2007 – 2009 **IT Technician -** Gideon Squared Solutions Ltd

**Key Responsibilities:**

* Business network installations.
* Devised network solutions for clients transferring IT systems.
* Customer IT troubleshooting services for clients experiencing IT related issues.
* On site and remote support.
* Customer facing role, working with a range of clients, providing high level of customer service.

2006 – 2007 **IT Support** – Moody’s KMV

**Key Responsibilities:**

* Temporary contract, assisting in a large office merge within the company.
* Involved with the relocating and installation of hardware, the patching of network and telecoms ports.
* The setting up and configuration of user accounts.

2003 – 2012 **Athletics Duty Officer -** Tooting Bec Athletic Stadium,

Wandsworth Borough Council

**Key Responsibilities:**

* Responsible for bookings, payments, banking and stock control.
* Issuing of equipment.
* Assembly/disassembly of all apparatus.
* Event management.
* Extensive face-to-face and telephone, customer service.