



## Teaching project in Vietnam



### Quick Overview

Help children with your English skills and combine learning with cultural exchange through this teaching project in Vietnam!

### Program Description

Exposure in English at a very young age with English Speaking or Native English Children ages from 3 - 6 years served as the crucial points of their development, thus, it is a perfect time for you to grab this opportunity to be part of these children's most important point of their learning and development.

This program takes place in the city of Ho Chi Minh local Kindergarten. In fact, this local kindergarten can really use your help with the day to day tasks required to service local children from ages 3 to 6 years old. You will work at a well organized and nicely run kindergarten in one of the four (4) classrooms available and assist the teaching staff for a minimum of **five hours a day**. Numbers, Coloring, Sing and Dance, Alphabets, Shapes, Basic Writing are the main focus of the curriculum in the Kindergarten. Thus, you will teach English and help the children improve their English communication skills and other sets of skills.

The program aims to enhance their English communication skills and overall learning through fun and interactive activities. As a volunteer, you will assist the local teaching staff in nurturing the children's growth.

In addition, you can engage with the children with different learning activities that may include teaching basic English and helping them practice writing in their notebooks. You can even use other creative and fun ways to help them learn basic tasks through songs, dance or games. Similarly, at lunchtime you will help them with bringing out the food and help them clean up the eating area. After the meal is complete, you will help put the children down for a nap.

The afternoon activities of fun and learning will begin at 14:00 once the children have awakened and will continue until the day is over at 16:30 when they are returned to their parents. Weather permitting, some of these activities may take place outside, so children have space to run and play.

Lastly, don't worry about not having special qualifications. The whole idea is to provide any help possible, whether it is merely enabling children to hear English pronunciation by native English speakers or any additional help with their character development.

## Aims & Objectives

- Widen the children's multicultural interactions
- Improve the children's educational prospects, particularly in improving English communication skills and character development;
- Assist the local staff and teachers by providing an extra hand; and
- Give you invaluable and practical experience in teaching.

## Your role

Meanwhile, the core focus of our Kindergarten program will depend upon the needs of the Kindergarten at that particular point in time.

Your main roles will be, but are not limited to:

- Care taking of children such as preparing their food and feeding them.
- Help in the children's basic hygiene and sanitation routines such as cutting nails, combing hair, hand washing, teeth brushing and so on.
- Help them in cleaning their eating utensils.
- Help them put down in their nap.
- Teaching basic English alongside local teachers, focusing on pronunciation, numbers, shapes, letters, and basic writing.
- Help them with basic writings in their notepads.
- Prepares and organizes lessons and meaningful learning activities.
- Facilitates children songs, dances and storytelling activities.
- Facilitate learning activities such as playing fun games, coloring and other related activities.
- Join other activities conducted at the Kindergarten.
- Prepare assessment exercises.
- Participating in other Kindergarten activities and providing valuable support to the staff
- Mark the monthly examinations or assessment.

## Schedule

### Monday

- Breakfast
- Introduction meeting, House rules, Setting Expectations, Health and Safety Advice, handling of documents & Signing up of relevant documents
- Vietnam Do's and Don'ts, Dress Codes, Vietnam Culture Lessons
- Project Meetings & Preparations with assigned Local Coordinators
- Tour around the campus and nearby areas around the city
- Lunch
- Basic Vietnamese Language and Cooking lessons
- Games and other Recreational Activities at the Campus open ground
- Family Dinner at a Local Restaurant

## **Tuesday to Friday**

- Breakfast
- Engage in creative learning activities with children
- Prepare children and eating areas for lunch and help them clean up.
- Lunch
- Put children down for a nap.
- Engage in creative learning activities with children.
- Lessons Planning and Preparations alongside Local program Coordinator.
- Dinner

## **Ho Chi Minh City**

As the country's largest city, bustling with energy, innovation, and constant movement, Ho Chi Minh City—formerly known as Saigon—is the economic heart of Vietnam and the main hub of the southern region. This cosmopolitan, free-spirited metropolis combines the old and new Vietnam within a compact urban space, embodying both the city's past and future. Ho Chi Minh City is not only Vietnam's primary economic center but also carries numerous cultural and historical imprints from its more than 300 years of developmental history.

On another note, the accommodation center is located at 23/8, Hoang Viet Ward, District 4, Ho Chi Minh City. It is approximately a ten-minute drive (2.7 km) from the airport (Tan Son Nhat International Airport) and around fifteen to twenty minutes from the city center. Additionally, the center is surrounded by various amenities, including ATMs, restaurants, a post office, a swimming pool, a gym, a café, and supermarkets. You are therefore free to relax and explore the urban areas during your free time after program hours or on weekends, making the most of your stay!

There are numerous taxis around the campus. You can easily catch one from the main road to reach your destination in Ho Chi Minh City.

There are also several ATMs in the area. The closest one is about a 3-minute walk from the campus.

Near the dormitory, you'll find charming local cafés, grocery stores, supermarkets, pharmacies, swimming pools, and restaurants. It's a pleasant and peaceful place where you can enjoy fresh fruit juices, snacks, and more.

All necessary services can be found in the city, so don't forget we are located in the country's capital after all!

## **Accommodation**

The accommodation is on a university campus in a dormitory, which follows some campus rules, such as a nighttime curfew. We also have a designated "office" room with two computers available for use, along with a lovely rooftop where you can enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, soak up the sun, and chat with others. Nearby, you will find charming

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## Meals

Three delicious Asian-style meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) are provided daily during the program, and on weekends, only brunch and dinner are served. However, meals will also be prepared according to your dietary needs, so please inform us in advance.

### **Planned meals include:**

- **Breakfast:** cereals with milk, fruit platter, sandwich with ham/eggs, instant noodles.
- **Lunch and dinner:** typically Vietnamese meals with rice/noodles, with pork/beef/fish/seafood, and fried vegetables/soup. Participants can purchase their own food (kitchen available for use), and you are free to consume vegetables from the farm.

## Dress code

- Cover up as much as possible in the spirit of the local culture to avoid embarrassment.
- Your clothes must not be too short, too tight, or too revealing. Kindly make sure your shoulders and legs are covered.
- Dress professionally since you will be working in a professional environment while teaching the children.