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Employment

teachforjune Workshops

February 2008 - Present

President/Owner

Roseville, California

Responsible for all aspects of running an educational-consulting business from sales and marketing to accounting and customer service. I specialize in offering presentations and workshops both in person and online via webinars on various educational topics such as grading and assessment, classroom management, and communicative second-language acquisition.

hostingDifferent.com

August 2010 - Present

President/Owner

Roseville, California

Responsible for all aspects of running a web-hosting/web-design business from sales and marketing to accounting, customer service, and server management. We specialize in offering a managed WordPress environment to clients who wish to focus on the design and content of their website rather than the backend.

Blaine Ray Workshops

July 2008 - Present

Presenter/Coach

Eagle Mountain, Utah

Travel the United States presenting workshops on TPRS® (Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling—a method of second-language acquisition), including presenting and coaching participants at the annual National TPRS® Conference since 2008.

Clark County School District

August 2005 - June 2012

High School Spanish Teacher

Las Vegas, Nevada

Responsible for creating, delivering, and assessing TPRS®-based Spanish curriculum to high-school students, managing their behavior, and providing a technology-rich learning environment highly-conducive to second-language acquisition. Contributed to my professional learning community by implementing a standards-based grading system, designing collaborative lesson plans and common assessments. Presented workshops on grading, assessment, and communicative techniques to teaching language to district-wide audiences.

powerMonster.com

February 2008 - August 2010

President/Owner

Las Vegas, Nevada

Responsible for all aspects of running a web-hosting/web-design business from sales and marketing to accounting, customer service, and server management. We specialized in offering general web hosting to the public focusing on superior customer service. Sold the company in August of 2010.

Allegiant Air

July 2006 - April 2007

Customer Service Agent/Operations Agent

Las Vegas, Nevada

Responsible for coordinating ground operations between gate agents, ramp agents, pilots, and fuelers. Provided excellent customer service at both the ticket counter and the boarding gates for Allegiant Air.

Arcadia Unified School District

October 2001 - August 2005

High School Spanish Teacher

Arcadia, California

Responsible for creating, delivering, and assessing TPRS®-based Spanish curriculum to high-school students, managing their behavior, and providing a technology-rich learning environment highly-conducive to second-language acquisition. Contributed to the writing of the standards-based Spanish curriculum in 2002. Actively promoted and engaged students in the Electronic Portfolio project within my classroom. Created and refined my standards-based approach to grading and assessment including various formative and summative standards-based assessments and rubrics.

United Airlines

January 1995 - October 2001

Reservation Sales and Service Representative

Los Angeles, California

Responsible for promoting and selling United's worldwide travel services including providing a high-level of service to customers over the phone and at the airport. Utilized problem-solving techniques to assist coworkers and to diffuse and turnaround displeased passengers both as a support agent and at the customer service desk at Los Angeles International Airport.

Princess Cruises

June 1993 - January 1995

Voyage Coordinator

Los Angeles, California

Responsible for coordinating air transportation of 2400-3000 passengers from all points in the United States and Canada to various ports around the world on a monthly basis. Worked under strict deadlines and minimal supervision. Also supported Cruise Sales and Reservation Agents with air-travel related questions.

Northwest Airlines

July 1990 - June 1992

International Reservations Interpreter

Detroit, Michigan and Los Angeles, California

Responsible for coordinating air transportation of 2400-3000 passengers from all points in the United States and Canada to various ports around the world on a monthly basis. Worked under strict deadlines and minimal supervision. Also supported Cruise Sales and Reservation Agents with air-travel related questions.

Education & Certification

California State University, Northridge: Graduated cum laude in 2000 with a B.A. in German Language and Literature

Certified by the State of Nevada: 7-12 Spanish and German

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Professional-Development Presenter and Consultant

Online Webinars

January 2010 - Present

Presented over 100 online webinars on various educational and world-language topics via teachforjune.com

TPRS® Webversity™ Course

2010, 2011, 2012

Taught a series of twelve, 90-minute classes on TPRS® (Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling) beginning late summer and ending mid-winter online via teachforjune.com

Power PQA™ Workshop

January 2013

Customized a workshop for the language teachers of Gilroy Unified School District on how to use personalization to invigorate and engage their students.

Gilroy Unified School District
Gilroy, California

Power Grading™ Workshop

September 2012

Customized a standards-based grading and assessment workshop for local language and non-language teachers.

South Kitsap High School
Port Orchard, Washington

Beginning TPRS® Workshop

Summer 2012

Presented 2- and 3-day workshops on TPRS® (Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling)--a comprehensible-input, second-language-acquisition teaching method--for Blaine Ray Workshops.

Phoenix, Indianapolis, Little Rock, Nashville,
Detroit, Philadelphia, Hartford, Los Angeles

National TPRS® Conference

July 2012

Presented Personalization with co-presenter Carol Sutton, as well as presented my Power Grading™ workshop.

Las Vegas, Nevada

Power Grading™ Webversity™ Course

2010, 2011

Taught a series of five, three-hour classes on standards-based grading and assessment online late summer via teachforjune.com

Power Assessment™ Workshop

August 2011

Presented various ways to apply standards to create more effective and efficient classroom assessments for world-language teachers.

KIPP Schools' Summer Summit
Nashville, Tennessee

National TPRS® Conference

July 2011

Presented Dialogue workshop with co-presenter Carol Sutton, as well as presented my Power Grading™ workshop.

St. Louis, Missouri

Beginning TPRS® Workshop

Summer 2011

Presented 2-day workshops on TPRS® (Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling)--a comprehensible-input, second-language-acquisition teaching method--for Blaine Ray Workshops.

Las Vegas, Pittsburgh,
Little Rock, San Francisco

Grading and Assessment by the Standards Workshop

February 2011

Presented an online webinar on using the standards to assess and grade students.

ASD World Languages
Anchorage, Alaska (online)

CCSD World-Language Mini-Conference

October 2010

Presented three workshops on "Fast & Easy Speaking Assessments," "Fast & Easy Writing Assessments," and "Successful Story Strips" at the CCSD World-language Mini-Conference in Las Vegas.

Clark County School District
Las Vegas, Nevada

Custom Workshop

October 2010

Presented an online workshop on "Powerful PQA™," TPRS®, and classroom management for Huntington CCSC Inservice via teachforjune.com

Huntington CCSC Inservice
Huntington County, Indiana (online)

Custom Workshop

July 2010

Official instructional coach as well as presented "Power Grading™" workshop at the iFLT Summer Conference in Los Alamitos, CA

iFLT Summer Conference
Los Alamitos, CA

National TPRS® Conference

July 2010

Official instructional coach as well as presented "Power Grading™" workshop at the National TPRS® Conference in Chicago, Illinois.

Chicago, Illinois

Beginning TPRS® Workshop

Summer 2010

Presented 2-day workshops on TPRS® (Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling)--a comprehensible-input, second-language-acquisition teaching method--for Blaine Ray Workshops.

Las Vegas, Nevada
Santa Ana, California

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TPRS Publishing's Multi-cultural Conference June 2010	Ixtapa, Mexico
Presented a two-day "Proficiency-Based Grading" workshop at TPRS Publishing's Multi-cultural Conference in Ixtapa, Mexico.	
Accurate & Effective Assessment Workshop June 2010	ASD World Languages Anchorage, Alaska (online)
Presented an online workshop on accurate and effective assessments in second-language classrooms.	
CCSD World-Language Mini-Conference January 2010	Clark County School District Las Vegas, Nevada
Presented three workshops on "Powerful PQA™," "Proficiency-based Grading Simplified," and "Accurate & Effective Assessment" at the CCSD World-language Mini-Conference in Las Vegas.	
Proficiency-Based Grading Workshop September 2009	Phoenix, Arizona
Presented a half-day "Proficiency-Based Grading" workshop in conjunction with Carol Gaab's TPRS Publishing in Phoenix, Arizona.	
Proficiency-Based Grading Workshop August 2009	ASD World Languages Anchorage, Alaska (online)
Presented an online "Proficiency-based Grading" workshop for ASD World Languages in Anchorage, Alaska.	
National TPRS® Conference July 2009	San Antonio, Texas
Official instructional coach as well as presented "Proficiency-based Grading" and "Circling with Pictures" workshop at the National TPRS® Conference in San Antonio, Texas.	
CCSD Summer Institute June 2009	Clark County School District Las Vegas, Nevada
Presented a two-day "Proficiency-Based Grading" Workshop and co-presented with Carmen Andrews a three-day TPRS® Workshop at the CCSD Summer Institute in Las Vegas, Nevada.	
Proficiency-Based Grading Workshop March 2009	Minneapolis Public Schools Minneapolis, Minnesota
Presented a "Proficiency-Based Grading" Workshop for Minneapolis Public Schools Inservice in Minneapolis, Minnesota.	
CCSD World-Language Mini-Conference January 2009	Clark County School District Las Vegas, Nevada
Presented three workshops on "Proficiency-based Grading Simplified," and "Circling with Pictures" at the CCSD World-language Mini-Conference in Las Vegas.	
Keynote Speaker on Proficiency-Based Grading October 2008	Norfolk Public Schools Norfolk, Virginia
Keynote Speaker on Proficiency-based grading for Norfolk Public School's Foreign-Language Inservice in Norfolk, Virginia.	
Proficiency-Based Grading Workshop October 2008	Santa Rosa, California
Presented a two-day "Proficiency-Based Grading" Workshop in Santa Rosa, California.	
National TPRS® Conference July 2008	Minneapolis, Minnesota
Official instructional coach as well as presented "Proficiency-based Grading" workshop at the National TPRS® Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota.	
SWCOLT Regional Conference February 2008	Salt Lake City, Utah
Presented "Proficiency-based Grading" workshop at the SWCOLT Regional Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah.	

Professional Training and Workshops

- July 2012: National TPRS® Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada
- July 2011: National TPRS® Conference in St. Louis, Missouri
- July 2010: iFLT Conference in Los Alamitos, California
- July 2010: National TPRS® Conference in Chicago, Illinois
- June 2010: Multi-cultural Conference in Ixtapa, Mexico
- September 2009: TPRS® Workshop with Carol Gaab and Linda Li in Phoenix, Arizona
- July 2009: National TPRS® Conference in San Antonio, Texas
- July 2008: National TPRS® Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota
- July 2007: National TPRS® Conference in Denver, Colorado
- June 2006: Advanced TPRS® Workshop with Carmen Andrews in Las Vegas, Nevada
- February 2003: TPRS® Workshop with Susan Gross in Orange County, California
- August 2002: 3-day TPRS® Workshop with Karen Rowan in Orange County, California
- November 2001 - May 2002: LA STARS level 1 series of workshops in Los Angeles, California

References

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