

Hélène Cormier

French and English Teacher



Summary

Canadian teacher with over 15 years' experience teaching ESL and French as a foreign language, specializing in conversational skills. Open to opportunities worldwide.

Qualifications

Experienced and Adaptable Teacher

- Taught students ages 3 to 70, from around the world, online and offline
- Taught French 1-2-3 at Shanghai American Middle School
- Tutored Korean children who were struggling in French immersion in Montreal

Engaging Educator

- Creates an effective culture for learning to take place naturally and happily
- Stimulates genuine interest and enjoyment in learning
- Receptive to the needs, interests, and learning styles of individual students

Fluency Expert

- Encourages natural, meaningful communication via fun, task-based activities
- Uses phonetics to help students improve pronunciation
- Understands the importance of comprehensible input

Language Exchange Innovator

- Created a language exchange method, the Cormier Method
- Co-founded a successful language school based on that method
- Hosted and participated in several language exchange meetings around the world

Enthusiastic Traveler

- Traveled to 25 countries
- Lived in South Korea, China, India, Thailand, Mexico, and Bulgaria

Multilingual

- Native French speaker, native-level fluency in English
- Advanced Spanish, low intermediate Mandarin
- Beginner Korean

Teaching Experience

French and English Teacher , Personalized one-on-one lessons over Skype	2014–Present
English Teacher , Global Kids Korea, Busan, South Korea	2013
French Teacher , Groupe CCL International, Edmonton, Canada	2008–2009
Ancillary French Teacher , Université de Montréal, Montreal, Canada	2007
French Teacher , Ministry of Immigration of Quebec, Montreal, Canada	2007
French Teacher , Shanghai American Middle School, China	2005–2006
French Teacher , Alliance Française de Shanghai, China	2004–2005
English Teacher , Shanghai Teachers University, China	2003
French Teacher , POINT-3 Language Center, Montreal, Canada	2001–2002
Co-Founder & Facilitator , Language Exchange Club, Montreal, Canada	1998–2001
French Teacher , IPO Educational Centre, Montreal, Canada	1997
English Instructor , YBM E2 Sisa Institute, Anyang, South Korea	1996

Related Experience

Career Break , Traveled around the world	2009–2012
French Tutor , Montreal, Shanghai, Edmonton	2002–2009
Volunteer In-School Mentor , Big Brothers Big Sisters of Montreal	2007
Founder and Coordinator , Shanghai Language Exchange Club	2003–2004
Co-Founder , www.MyLanguageExchange.com	2000–2002
French Exam Corrector , Ministry of Education of Quebec, Montreal	1995–2001
Volunteer French Teacher , La Maisonnée, Montreal, Canada	1990

Education

McGill University, Canada

- M.A. French, Creative Writing (21 credits towards)
- B.A. First Class Honours, French, Stylistique et traduction 1993

UMCE, Université de Moncton, Canada

- Diploma in Health Sciences 1988
- Governors' Scholarship 1985

Professional Development

Workshops

- LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling), Carol Tolman 2006
- Practical Poetry, Sara Holbrook 2006
- TPRS (Teaching Proficiency Through Reading and Storytelling), Susan Gross 2005
- Activités Ludiques (Fun Communicative Activities), Claire Lise Dautry 2004