

 Fluent English - native English speaker for many posts Bachelor's degree needed (except Cambodia)

 TEFL certification required

Clear criminal records check





TYPICAL JOBS

- Private language centres
- Public schools
- Private tuition

» Around half of all English teaching jobs globally are based in this fascinating continent



TYPICAL STUDENTS

- Business professionals
- Children

PEAK HIRING PERIODS

- All year round
- Down times during main holiday periods, such as Chinese New Year

VISA REQUIREMENTS

- Work visa / permit normally required - employers should provide necessary documentation for applications
- Larger language centres and international schools may cover costs for visa applications

GOOD TO KNOW

TEFL internships can offer a route into TEFL in Asia, if you don't have a degree. Also, TEFL in India is almost exclusively limited to voluntary positions.

Fact file: POPULAR DESTINATIONS





Age Under 65

Degree BA/BSc

Restrictions Fluent speaker

Hiring Process

Face-to-face

Contract 6-12 months

Pay \$700-\$1,000

Visa Turist->Work

Monthly costs \$500-\$1,000

Degrees preferrred but not essential

Native speakers preferred but not essential



CHINA

Age 22-60 Degree

BA/BSc

Restrictions Fluent speaker

Hiring Process Phone/video

Contract 6-12 months

Pay \$1,200-\$3,000

Visa Viza (Z)->Work

> Monthly costs \$650-\$1,200

Native speakers preferred but not essential

Housing, flights, completion bonus & health insurance often included



HONG KONG

Age 21-60

Degree BA

Restrictions **Previous experience**

Hiring Process Phone/video

Contract 12-24 months

Pay \$2,500-\$4,000

> Visa Viza (Z)

Monthly costs \$650-\$1,200

BA ideally in English or education

Higher level qualifications and/or teaching experience often required

Housing allowance & completion bonus frequently included



INDONESIA

Age 21-60

Degree **BA/BSc**

Restrictions Native speaker

Hiring Process Phone/video

> Contract 12 months

Pay \$700-\$1,100

> Visa Work

Monthly costs \$550-\$850

Housing & flights sometimes included



Age 21-65

Degree

BA/BSc

Restrictions

Assistant roles

Hiring Process Phone/video

Contract 12 months

Pay \$2,000-\$3,000

> Visa Work

Monthly costs \$1,000-\$2,000

Normally only assistant language teacher roles available in public schools

Housing sometimes included



SOUTH KOREA

Age **21-60**

Degree **BA/BSc**

POPULAR DESTINATIONS

Restrictions Native speaker

Hiring Process Phone/video

Contract 12 months

Pay \$1,750-\$2,500

> Visa **Work**

Monthly costs **\$800-\$1,000***

Most opportunities are in private language centres

Public school jobs mainly through placement schemes

*Excludes rent as housing & flights often included



TAIWAN

Age **20-60**

Degree **BA/BSc**

Restrictions Fluent speaker

Hiring Process **Phone/video**

Contract 6-12 months

Pay **\$1,300-\$2,000**

> Visa **Work**

Monthly costs **\$500-\$1,500**

Native speakers preferred but not essential

Completion bonus & housing support sometimes offered



THAILAND

Age **21-60**

Degree **BA/BSc**

Restrictions Native speaker

Hiring Process Phone/video

Contract 5-12 months

Pay **\$750-\$1,500**

> Visa **Visa (B)**

Monthly costs **\$600-\$900**

Most jobs are with children

Peak hiring: Feb-April & Aug-Oct for schools. Language centre posts available all year round

Flights & housing sometimes included



VIETNAM

Age **21-60**

Degree BA/BSc

Restrictions Fluent speaker

Hiring Process Face-to-face

Contract 12 months

Pay \$1,250-\$2,000

> Visa **Work**

Monthly costs **\$600-\$1,000**

Native speakers preferred but not essential

Most jobs are with children

Flights, completion bonus & housing occasionally offered

MORE ABOUT ASIA...

Asia is an enticing blend of the supermodern and the truly ancient – plus it offers fantastic opportunities for both newly qualified and experienced TEFL teachers.

While you're unlikely to get superrich as a TEFL teacher in Asia, you should earn enough to afford a decent standard of living throughout the continent. In countries such as South Korea and Japan you can even build up decent savings, particularly if you negotiate a wage package with housing thrown in.

One major consideration for TEFL in Asia is visa restrictions. While previous teaching experience is not essential in most countries, you will generally need a Bachelor's degree, TEFL certification, clean police check and firm job offer before you'll be considered for a work permit - and checks are getting far tighter. If you don't have a degree however, there are still options to TEFL in Asia. Cambodia has less strict requirements, for example or alternatively TEFL internships are worth considering, as they tend to have fewer visa restrictions.

TEFL in Asia is definitely not all about the jobs though. This continent is packed to the brim with bucketlist attractions, fascinating temples, gorgeous beaches and mouthwateringly scrumptious food. All in all, we reckon teaching English in Asia is an unmissable adventure!