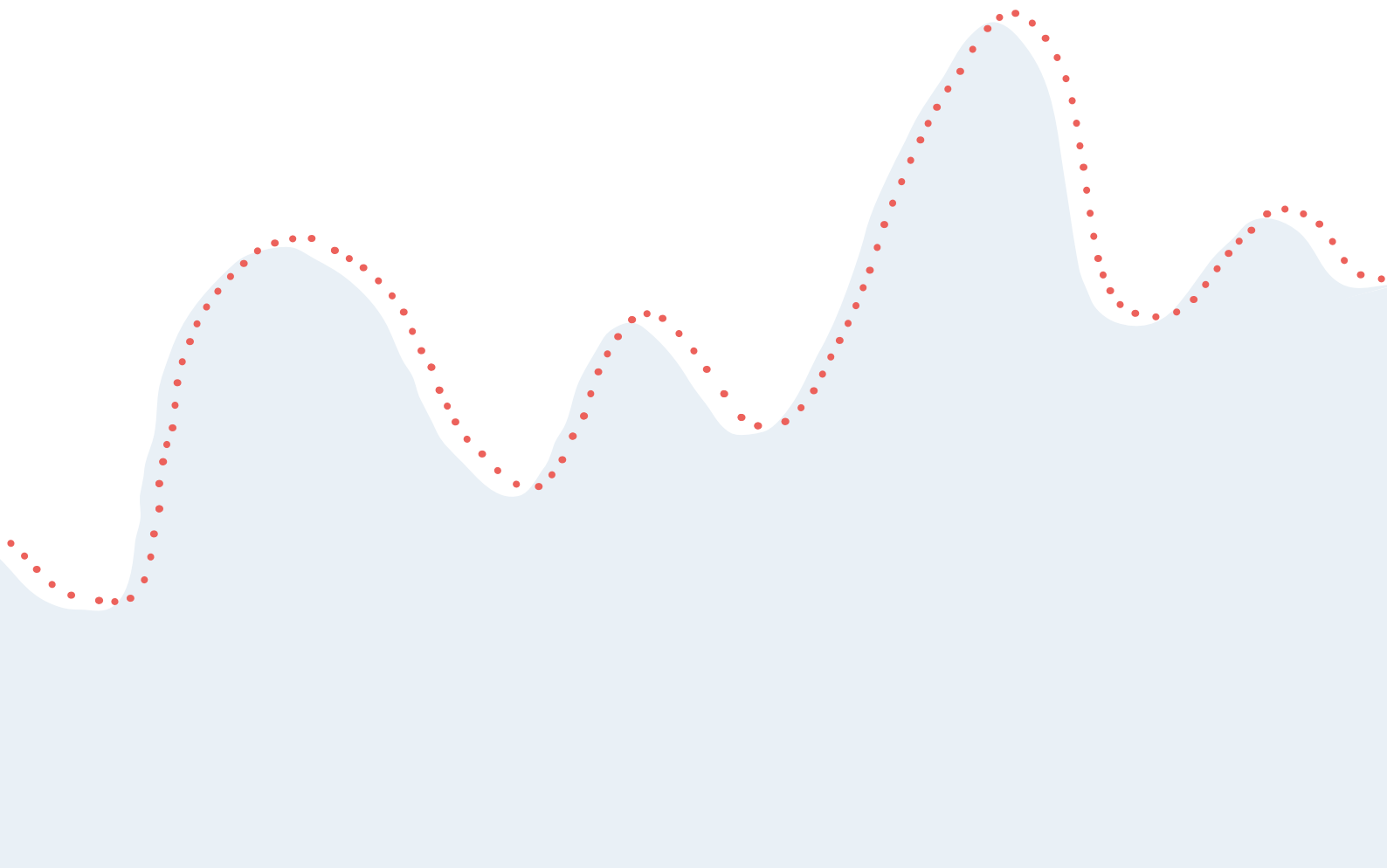


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TEFL JOBS' MARKET

SNAPSHOT REPORT

i-to-i (Autumn 2020)





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INTRODUCTION

Here at [i-to-i](https://www.i-to-i.com), we love providing a helping hand for your TEFL adventures. To give your TEFL jobs search a super-boost, we've crunched the numbers on more than 10,000 advertised TEFL posts to provide you with our hot-off-the-press overview of the TEFL jobs market today.

Whether you're seeking a fabulous TEFL opportunity abroad when the world re-opens or hunting for your first online English teaching position right now, find out who's recruiting, the qualifications employers are asking for and where you'll find the top paying TEFL jobs.¹

¹ The information in this snapshot review is based on analysis of job adverts placed on the [LoveTEFL jobs board](https://www.loveTEFL.com) between 1 April and 29 September 2020. It includes data from job adverts that advertised for multiple teachers.



WHERE ARE THE TEFL JOBS?

» Classroom teaching may have slowed during the Covid-19 pandemic but that doesn't mean that TEFL employers have stopped advertising for teachers. In fact, we found TEFL jobs on offer in 17 different countries spanning four continents as well as numerous adverts for online teaching jobs.

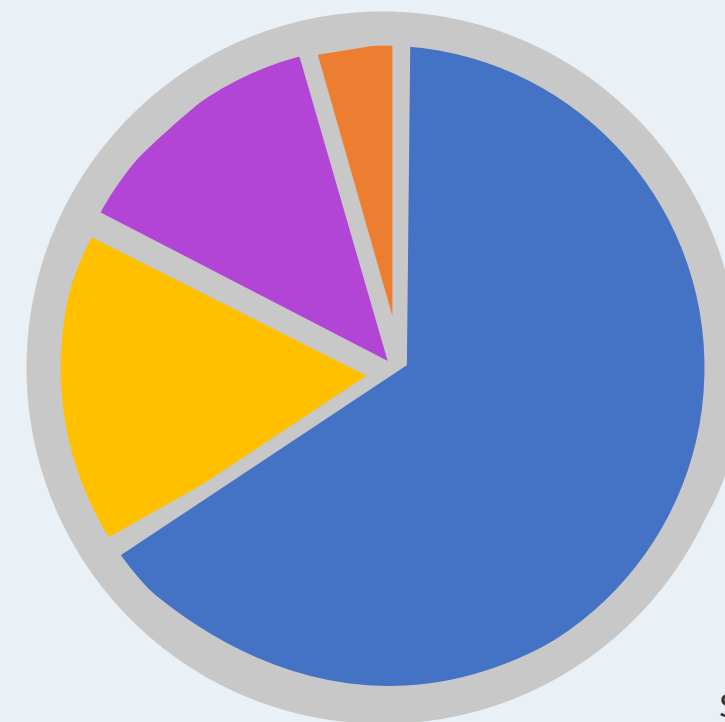
» Almost two thirds (65%) of the advertised teaching positions were in Asia, with a smaller chunk in Europe (17%) and the remainder of classroom positions (4%) scattered across the rest of the world, including the USA and even Cameroon. We were slightly surprised to discover that no TEFL jobs were advertised for either Central or South America. This may simply be a reflection of the fact that employers in those regions strongly prefer to recruit teachers who apply in person, in their country or could be an indication of a changing market - we'll be keeping a close watch in coming months.

» After the huge surge of online teaching positions advertised in the spring, it was inevitable that there would be a re-setting of the online TEFL market. However, while recruitment levels are not quite at the heights we saw in March, there is still a strong demand for online TEFL. In fact, 14% of the total positions advertised over the past six months were for online English teachers.

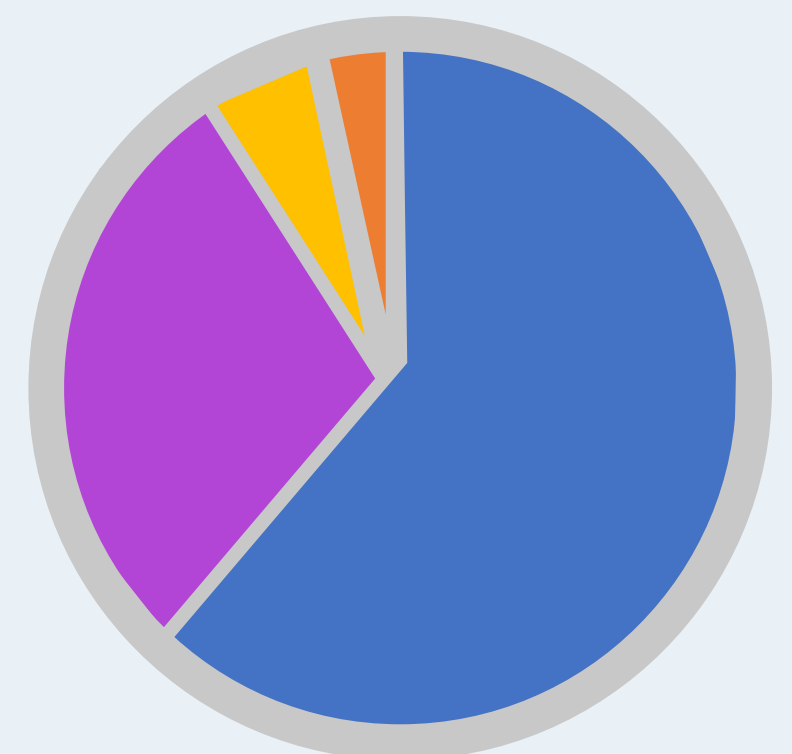
Job Locations

Asia ■ Europe ■ Online ■ ROW ■

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Which countries are looking for TEFL teachers?

China continues to surge ahead in the TEFL recruitment market. Around one in three of all advertised positions were located in this English-thirsty country, followed by Thailand with 17% of positions. Overall, 11 countries had more than 100 posts advertised – so there is choice out there for whenever you’re ready to start your next teach and travel adventure.

100+ ADVERTISED POSTS

- ✓ Online teaching
- ✓ China
- ✓ France
- ✓ Hong Kong
- ✓ Indonesia
- ✓ Japan
- ✓ Saudi Arabia
- ✓ South Korea
- ✓ Spain
- ✓ Taiwan
- ✓ Thailand
- ✓ Vietnam

SOME ADVERTISED POSTS (1-100)

- ✓ Cameroon
- ✓ Italy
- ✓ Malaysia
- ✓ Myanmar
- ✓ Russia
- ✓ USA



Who is recruiting TEFL teachers?

Alongside individual employers, a number of recruiters were seeking multiple TEFL teachers. If you're wondering where to start your job search, the following companies all advertised for 50 or more TEFL teachers across the last six months.



EMPLOYER	LOCATION OF JOBS
APAX English	Vietnam
DaDa	Online
EF - Education First	China, Indonesia
English Work	South Korea
Gold Star	China, Myanmar
i2	China
ImmerQi	China
Korean Horizons	South Korea
M2r Education	Online, China, Hong Kong, Saudi, Taiwan
MediaKids	Thailand
MLS	China
Monkey Tree	Hong Kong
Nova	Japan
TEFL Recruits	China, Saudi Arabia, South Korea
VIPX	Online

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS ARE TEFL EMPLOYERS LOOKING FOR?

» You've definitely got a higher chance of finding a TEFL job if you have a degree and TEFL certification. In fact, 86% of all posts specified a bachelor's degree and 57% were looking for TEFL certificate (57%). Figures are even higher for online positions, where 95% specified candidates should have a degree and 91% required teacher to have a TEFL qualification.

» However, this does leave a good sprinkling of opportunities both in-country and online if you're still building up your qualifications. In total, 13% of all posts and 2% of online positions did not specify either a degree or TEFL certification as a requirement.

Tip: If you don't have a degree, use the filter button on [LoveTEFLJobs](#) to target positions where this isn't a requirement.

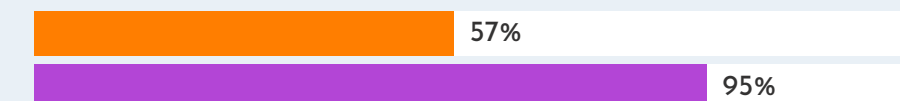
Qualifications for Advertised TEFL Posts

All jobs ■ Online teaching jobs ■

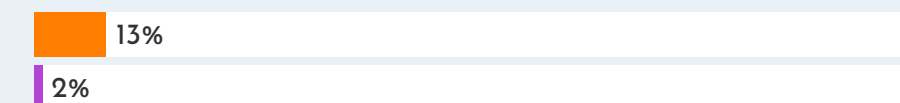
DEGREE



TEFL CERTIFICATION



NO QUALIFICATION



ARE THERE TEFL JOBS FOR NEW TEACHERS?

The brilliant news for newly qualified teachers is that more than 9 out of 10 jobs were open to teachers who had no previous experience. While a slightly higher proportion of online TEFL employers specified at least one year's teaching experience, even here, a massive 87% of advertised posts were open to newly qualified teachers.

91% of all posts open to teachers with no previous experience

87% of online posts open to teachers with no previous experience

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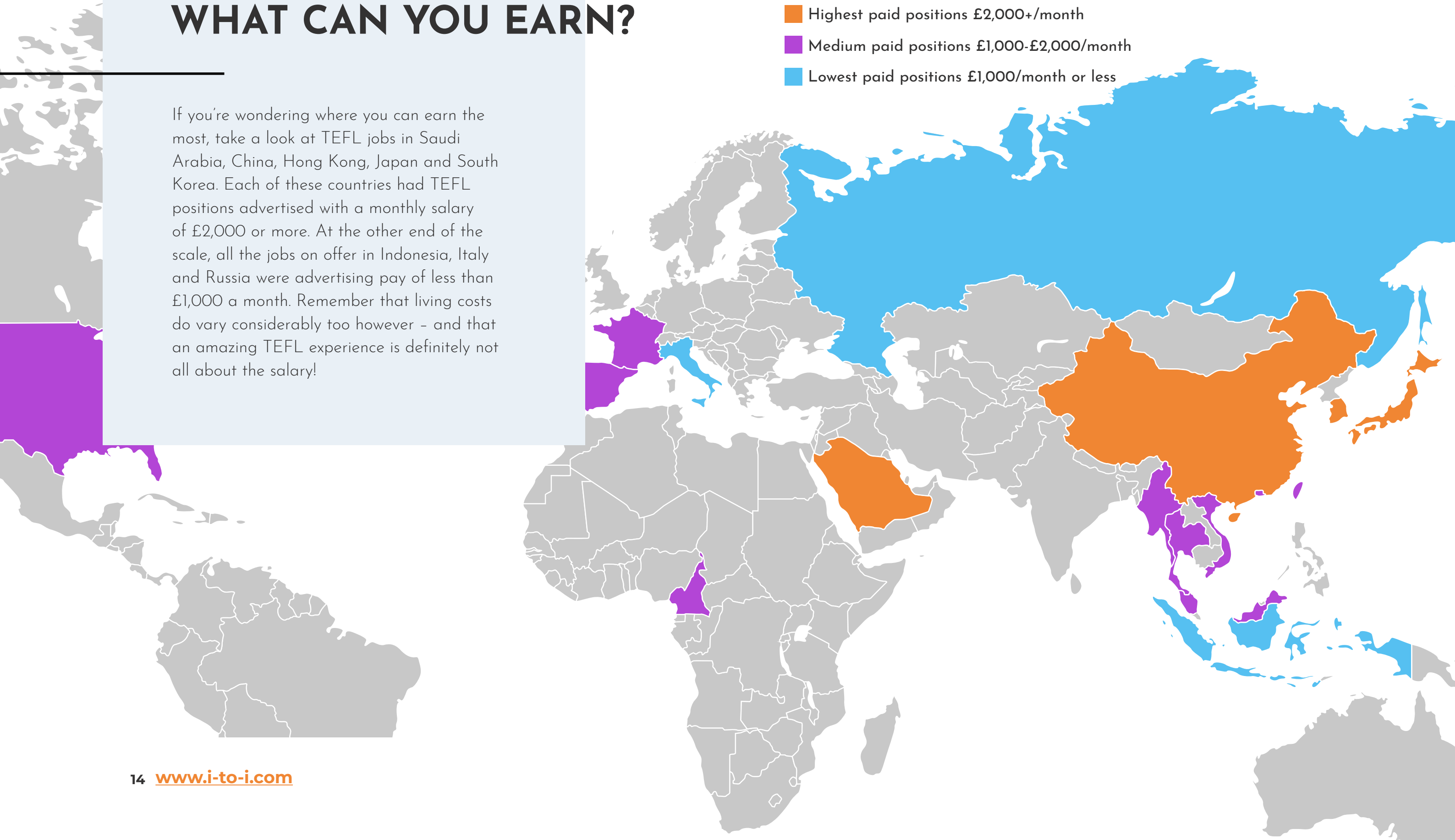


WHAT CAN YOU EARN?

If you're wondering where you can earn the most, take a look at TEFL jobs in Saudi Arabia, China, Hong Kong, Japan and South Korea. Each of these countries had TEFL positions advertised with a monthly salary of £2,000 or more. At the other end of the scale, all the jobs on offer in Indonesia, Italy and Russia were advertising pay of less than £1,000 a month. Remember that living costs do vary considerably too however – and that an amazing TEFL experience is definitely not all about the salary!

Salaries around the world

- Highest paid positions £2,000+/month
- Medium paid positions £1,000-£2,000/month
- Lowest paid positions £1,000/month or less



TEFL JOBS COUNTRY BREAKDOWN

To give you an even better understanding of which TEFL destinations should top your personal hit list, we've broken down the advertised jobs into a summary of the types of jobs, salaries, contracts and qualifications available in individual countries right now.²

Online TEFL jobs

TYPICAL JOBS	SALARY*	CONTRACT	REQUIREMENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full time• Part time	£8-£25 per hour £200-£3,200 per month	1-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Degree (<i>most posts</i>)• TEFL certificate (<i>most posts</i>)• 0-2 years' experience

² Information provided is based on analysis of positions advertised. Always check the specifics of individual posts, as these may vary.
* Per month

Asia TEFL jobs

COUNTRY	TYPICAL JOBS	SALARY*	CONTRACT	REQUIREMENTS
China	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full time	£1,000-£3,400	1-24 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Degree• 0-2 year's experience• TEFL certificate (<i>most posts</i>)
Hong Kong	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full time	£2,000-£2,300	4-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Degree• TEFL certificate
Indonesia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full time	£800-£900	24 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Degree• TEFL certificate (<i>most posts</i>)
Japan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full time	£750-£1,600	8-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Degree (<i>most posts</i>)• 0-2 year's experience• TEFL certificate (<i>most posts</i>)
Malaysia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full time	£750-£1,600	8-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Degree (<i>most posts</i>)• 1 year's experience• TEFL certificate
Myanmar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full time	£1,000-£1,500	12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Degree• 0-1 year's experience• TEFL certificate

Asia TEFL jobs continued...

COUNTRY	TYPICAL JOBS	SALARY*	CONTRACT	REQUIREMENTS
South Korea	• Full time	£1,300-£2,300	1-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree • 0-3 year's experience • TEFL certificate (most posts)
Taiwan	• Full time	£1,250-£1,600	12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree
Thailand	• Full time	£750-£1,100	4-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree • 0-2 year's experience • TEFL certificate (some posts)
Vietnam	• Full time	£750-£1,800	1-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree • 0-1 year's experience • TEFL certificate (most posts)

Europe TEFL jobs

COUNTRY	TYPICAL JOBS	SALARY*	CONTRACT	REQUIREMENTS
France	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full time • Part time • Summer camp 	£200-£1,800	3-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0-1 year's experience • TEFL certificate (most posts)
Italy	• Full time	£700-£800	6-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree • 1 year's experience • TEFL certificate
Russia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full time • Internship 	£250-£500	9-12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree (most posts) • 0-1 year's experience • TEFL certificate (most posts)
Spain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full time • Part time • Internships 	£750-£1,000	8-9 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree (most posts) • 0-2 year's experience • TEFL certificate (most posts)

Rest of the World jobs

COUNTRY	TYPICAL JOBS	SALARY*	CONTRACT	REQUIREMENTS
Cameroon ³	• Full time	£1,600-£2,000	12 months	• Degree TEFL certificate
Saudi Arabia	• Full time	£2,200-£3,200	12-24 months	• Degree • 0-2 certificate experience • TEFL certification (most posts)
USA	• Full time	£400-£1,600	1 month	• Degree • 2 year's experience

³ Note: only one post was advertised and may not be fully representative of typical jobs in Cameroon.

FIND OUT MORE

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Head straight to the [LoveTEFL jobs board](#) to find your perfect job

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