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Job title: Teacher of Geography

Location: London, UK

How did you get to where you are now?

I studied geography at GCSE and A Level and decided to pursue this further at university level. I am currently a geography teacher in a London school. I got where I am now through studying geography which I am very passionate about.

What do you do as part of your role?

I am currently a geography teacher, so I am responsible for having up to date knowledge on any changes happening in geography and updating and teaching lessons. I am also responsible for planning lessons and making geography lessons relevant to my students.

What skills and characteristics do you need for this role, apart from geographical knowledge?

For this role communication, empathy, organisation and creativity are quite important in being able to teach students as it means that you are able to understand and help pupils in different ways to help them learn and progress in their studies.

W: www.rgs.org/geographyprofessionals

What advice would you give to someone wanting to go in to this career?

For someone wanting to go into this career I would advise them to keep persevering. It is a rewarding job that takes a lot of hard work and dedication. Do some work experience in schools to get an idea of what teaching is like. You can also volunteer to be a Geography Ambassador with the RGS-IBG which gives you an insight into what teaching can be like.

Why did you choose geography? Why should others choose geography?

I chose geography because it is a fantastic subject which allows us to understand the world in which we live. It helps us to come up with answers to both global and local issues and is a subject relevant to our everyday lives from looking at global warming to migration and how places are changing. I think others should choose geography because it is the subject of the future and is one that can help solve many global and local issues.

