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Volunteer English Language Teacher Role Description

A key part of the Borderlands Drop-In is providing English Language classes to refugees, asylum seekers, and those with immigration issues. We need enthusiastic and committed volunteers to help do this.

Location: Borderlands, The Assisi Centre, BS5 0RE.

Time Commitment: One session 1.30-3.30 on a Tuesday Afternoon. There is also occasional mandatory training, in safeguarding, etc, and optional further trainings, workshops and social events if desired. We hope volunteers can commit to a minimum of 3 months.

We are looking for organised and reliable Volunteer Teachers. You will;

- Have a relevant teaching qualification and/or experience of teaching English language and literacy to beginners. (If in doubt about your qualifications/experience, please contact Doug Statt - doug@borderlands.org.uk to discuss)
- Have a willingness to improvise and work flexibly with your plan
- Be excited by working within a multicultural team

Working relationships: You will work as part of a volunteer team which includes people who are asylum seekers and refugees.

Specific Duties and responsibilities:

- Prepare and deliver engaging classes for Borderlands members
- Prepare content appropriate to the level of learner, finding and preparing the resources needed, and tasking teaching assistants where available
- Work with the teaching assistant to ensure that all learners are supported appropriately
- Set up or set down classroom as required
- Liaise with other teachers, especially when a class is shared
- Follow Borderlands policies and procedures when volunteering, e.g. Equal Opportunities and Safeguarding Policies (these will be given to you at induction training and are available on the website).

Example session of teaching a class from 1.30 – 3.30

- 1.00 – 1.30: Set up your class, liaise with colleagues
- 1.30: Welcome learners to your class
- 2.30 – 2.40: Afternoon coffee break
- 3.30: Set down class/return equipment/communicate with other volunteers/staff as necessary.

If you are interested in this role or have any questions, please contact Doug Statt at doug@borderlands.org.uk

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