

All the works here are dedicated to pupils at Dunraven,  
Corpus Christi, St. Thomas, Conway Primary School and  
Stepping Stones, One world Nursery.

All of the students whom I have ever taught over the past  
two years.

Whom is currently too young to be told these information.  
Whom I felt deep guilt.

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"Hey, children! who is ready for some fun and excited  
Mandarin lesson?!"

kids, I'm sorry by the time you read this all I probably  
wouldn't even be in the same country with you all  
anymore. As I will probably get deport and prohibited by  
the country, cause they caught me trying to get fake  
marriage for getting a visa to stay.

Which years is it now? 2029? How is your daily life is  
like? Is it live up to what we were all expected?!  
I hope you can all forgive me by now, and pardon all of  
my potential faults in the past.

For the start, I'm very sorry that I lied, I do not have  
a girlfriend called- Iona, in fact, I spend most of my  
spared time messing around with mature, middle-aged men.

Second, I'm sorry that I'm actually not a qualified  
teacher, Mandarin teaching is in high demand, and not  
enough supply out there, plus your government is cutting  
down the education funding, that is how all of this  
happened, and why most the teacher is part-time, so  
sometimes different semester you will have a different  
teacher. What is even worst, I did not have any teaching

experience beforehand, I barely get the job because I slept with someone.

Third, sorry, while you guys asked me how is China like I could never really answer you well, I meant, how can I really explain dictatorship and communism to an age of ten, even though I could simplify it, what makes me entitled to teach you all about this subject? Overall I get paid 25pound/ per hour to be there with only one mission: teaching you Mandarin, keeping it fun and entertaining so you can all keep the growing interest in it in the future.

Hopefully, getting more involved to it, cause your parent is all right, China is growing, and it is inevitable, therefore rather than become its enemy, we be better starting to learn their language and befriend with it.

And it is all too heavy for me to explain to your little naïve, pure soul that accompany of all of this, inevitable growth power, my country is losing its sovereignty and my colleague next door, her father is in "re-education" camp.

But it is not your fault nor me or your parents, we are all doing what we need to do in order to survive at the moment, but still, I do feel very gutted, that we could have done more to leave a better future for you all. Remember 10 years ago you all used to sit in the classroom wonder why do you need to learn Mandarin, and what is it for? I cannot answer you back then, but I guess you get the answer to know now.

And how interesting is life, that 30 years ago, I was actually the same, been forced to sit in the classroom to learn English, wondering what is this all for.....

Your sincere,  
Teacher Keng

To Those Whom It May Concern