# Josh Butler

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### **Portfolios of Work**

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## **Key Skills**

- ✓ Strong paid publication history
- Experienced content creator across a variety of media
- Excellent command of the English language (written and verbal)
- ✓ Able to adapt writing to fit purpose and style
- ✓ Confident using WordPress and boosting engagement through SEO
- Motivated writer with experience of working in an office environment and remotely
- ✓ Leadership and editorial experience
- ✓ Understanding of primary pedagogy

- ✓ Undergraduate degree in Creative Writing
- ✓ Postgraduate degree in Teaching
- Capable of working under own direction and within a cohesive unit
- ✓ Confident using MS programs, Photoshop
- Experience using digital software to create content
- Capable working under pressure to deadlines and managing and prioritising a number of tasks
- Confident at engaging audiences through social media
- ✓ Accustomed to working to tight deadlines

# **Employment History**

#### Mwabu

Education technology company Educational Content Writer (January 2017 - September 2018)

#### In my post, my duties included:

- ✓ Creating high-quality and engaging written content across multiple grades for maths and science
- √ Having a secure understanding of up-to-date pedagogy in primary and secondary sectors
- ✓ Mapping content to ensure it lines up with existing curricula
- ✓ Sourcing and commissioning compelling and relevant images to accompany content
- ✓ Using Photoshop and associated programs to produce digital images
- ✓ Working efficiently and to deadlines in a remote environment
- ✓ Liaising and working collaboratively with editing and artwork teams
- ✓ Working with the tech department to identify and provide solutions to bugs in the content management system
- Proofing and editing draft content prior to production

#### Fella

Men's lifestyle online publication Researcher/Writer (April 2016 - November 2016)

#### In my post, my duties included:

- ✓ Researching content for the purposes of curation
- ✓ Creating content, ranging from short- to long-form articles
- ✓ Being versatile in content creation: opinion pieces, news articles, interactive quizzes, reviews
- ✓ Helping create, and adhering to, an appropriate in-house style and tone
- ✓ Managing social media outlets and scheduling content appropriately
- ✓ Assuming responsibility for the 'Sports' and 'Video Games' output at the publication
- ✓ Communicating as part of a team; sharing ideas and spreading workload
- ✓ Proofing articles ready for upload to the website
- ✓ Using Wordpress to create content for the website, including embedding
- ✓ Sourcing photos and media for content
- ✓ Boosting content using SEO
- ✓ Maintaining very high standards of written English

Analysing Facebook analytics to tailor content to consumer
Freelance Writing
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I have contributed to the following publications on a freelance basis:

- √ <u>The Sabotage Times</u> (July 2012-March 2013) contributed twenty-five articles to their 'Football' and 'Life' sections.
- ✓ FourFourTwo (2012-2013) contributed articles to the 'News' section of their website, as well as contributing content to the Euro 2012 edition of the magazine.
- ✓ Bleacher Report (2012-2013) contributed sixteen articles to their 'Football' section.
- ✓ MUFC Latest (2013) contributed weekly articles to the website.
- ✓ Tales from the Top Flight (2017-2018) contributed football-orientated articles on a weekly basis
- ✓ Getting Sacked in the Morning (2018-present) contribute a weekly column
- ✓ Football Football (2018-present) provided weekly World Cup coverage
- ✓ I run my own blog at joshbutler.wordpress.com, where my article <u>Ranking the Top Gear Specials from</u> worst to greatest is currently ranked number one in the world through Google search engines

### **Bratton Primary School**

Class Teacher (September 2014 - April 2016)

In my post, my duties included:

- ✓ Thinking creatively to use the national curriculum to plan and teach engaging lessons while ensuring the greatest positive impact on the children's learning.
- ✓ Planning and working to deadlines in preparation to teach, adhering to weekly, medium and long-term plans; ensuring all planning documentation was up to date and stored efficiently.
- ✓ Commanding a strong grasp of written and verbal English in order to communicate effectively with pupils, colleagues and members of the school community, including through curriculum letters and written reports.
- ✓ Adapting my teaching and planning to the ever-changing needs of the pupils; reflecting upon my practice to ensure maximum impact is achieved.
- ✓ Handling and communicating sensitive issues appropriately, both in regards to the pupils and the adults within my classroom.
- Managing personal administration, including sensitive documentation, and working to tight deadlines in regards to submission of paperwork for school and to outside agencies.
- ✓ Forging and maintaining positive relationships with the parents and wider school community.
- ✓ Undertaking leadership responsibilities such as auditing P.E. equipment, attending cluster meetings and managing the subject budget.

Education and Qualifications	
Chantry High School (2002-2007) Eleven GCSEs: A*-B	Worcester Sixth Form College (2007-2009) Three A-levels: A-B
Bath Spa University (2009-2012) Creative Writing BA (Hons) Classification: 2:1	Bath Spa University (2013-2014) Post Graduate Certificate of Education

References available on request