



# Christian Aid Teacher

## Task description

Christian Aid has a vision of a better world, where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. We want to share that vision with young people, and, by helping them to explore issues of global injustice, inspire them become agents of change.

Through a partnership with Church of England Education Office, we have developed a new accreditation scheme. This provides a framework to help church schools develop global citizenship in ways that reflect their Christian character.

Christian Aid teachers support schools participating in the scheme by offering guidance and ideas to teachers, and providing workshops and assemblies. As a volunteer in this role, you will have the opportunity to be part of an exciting new project, and use your professional expertise to help young people to make a difference.

## What will I do?

This will depend on the requirements of individual schools but could include:

- Developing relationships with teachers
- Identifying and advising on appropriate resources
- Leading assemblies and workshops
- Providing opportunities for young people to respond in practical ways
- Sharing in leading lessons
- Acting as an advisor/critical friend
- Helping evaluate the scheme
- Contributing to resources

As representatives of Christian Aid, volunteers educate children about global issues and the work of a faith-based charity. Their message should be consistent with Christian Aid's purpose and values. Christian Aid teachers are not expected to be in sole charge of a class or to be responsible for behaviour management or discipline.

## **How much time can I give?**

This will depend on your availability and the uptake of the accreditation scheme. We hope that you would be able to do at least two visits per term, but we may ask you to do more. Your staff contact will discuss this with you.

## **What skills do I need?**

- experience of teaching or working with young people in a professional role
- engaging presentation skills
- enthusiasm for the work of Christian Aid
- the ability to make connections between faith and action
- the ability to develop working relationships with teachers
- a good understanding of the education system
- an understanding of the pressures that teachers face and an ability to be flexible
- a willingness to use IT for presentations and communications (training available)

## **What support will I receive?**

- introductory workshop led by a Christian Aid education specialist
- individual support and supervision
- regular training sessions with other volunteers
- access to published and online resources
- access to a volunteers' extranet
- quarterly volunteers e-newsletter
- out-of-pocket expenses

## **Are there any other requirements?**

Christian Aid teachers are required to undergo a Disclosure and Barring Service enhanced check. However, previous offences will not necessarily exclude people from this role.

Volunteers are required to attend training twice a year to ensure that their knowledge and professional development are kept up to date.

## **How can I find out more?**

Contact your local Christian Aid office or email [volunteering@christian-aid.org](mailto:volunteering@christian-aid.org)

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