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Profile

Experienced Maths Teacher and Tutor with over 10 years of teaching and tutoring experience developed in Portugal, working with students from primary to senior secondary levels. In Australia, I have expanded my approach through Montessori-based learning, home-based teaching, and creative methods. I specialise in using concrete materials and visual strategies to develop deep understanding of mathematical operations and geometry, helping students build strong foundations, confidence, and long-term success in maths.

Education

Diploma in Educational Mathematics
Science University of Porto, Portugal (2006)

Experience

Maths Teacher – Porto, Portugal (2006–2012)

- Taught Mathematics to students in Years 6–11 across public and private schools
- Delivered structured and engaging lessons tailored to a range of abilities

Private Maths Tutor – Portugal (2003–2012)

- Provided one-on-one and small group tutoring
- Supported students from primary level to Year 12
- Developed personalised lesson plans to suit individual learning needs

Private Maths Tutor – Australia (2013–Present)

- Supported primary-aged students using personalised learning approaches
- Integrated hands-on and creative strategies to enhance understanding

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Primary Maths, Montessori & Home-Based Teaching (Australia)

- Applied Montessori principles using concrete materials to teach mathematical operations and develop strong number sense
- Used specialised Montessori resources to support understanding of geometry, patterns, and spatial reasoning
- Delivered a blended home-based learning experience with my own children
- Focused on hands-on, visual learning to build deep conceptual understanding
- Adapted teaching methods to suit each child’s individual learning style

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Creative Maths Approach (Australia)

- Incorporated origami as a tool to support mathematical thinking
- Used craft-based activities to explore geometry, patterns, and spatial reasoning
- Delivered origami workshops as both a creative activity and a supplement to maths learning

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Availability & Additional Offerings

- Available during school hours, as well as some evenings and weekends
- Open to running school holiday programs combining maths and creative origami sessions
- Focus on keeping learning fun, engaging, and interactive

Additional Skills

- Strong focus on confidence-building and personalised learning
- Excellent communication and adaptability

Certifications

- Working With Children Check (Australia)