

William Marlow-1 Year Testimonial

I'm sat here trying to think about how to start this. It's not that I can't think of anything good to say, quite the opposite. My time here has been honestly fantastic. Right now my brain is fried after a full day of Monday teaching. So I'll tell you a little about my day. Firstly, it was great! The end of the school year is fast approaching and I said to myself when I woke up this morning that I want to hit today full of enthusiasm in the classroom. The students are a combination of fun, excitement and energy and it is this which makes a school day very entertaining. Today was no exception. As soon I entered the classroom I listened keenly to all their tales from the weekend, their new toys, who's birthday it is etc etc. Today also filled me with a tinge of sadness, as time with my class is coming to an end as the school year reaches its conclusion. This school year has been a riot and here are a few reasons why.



This is what greeted me this Monday morning.

Teaching in a school like Thida is a real pleasure. The facilities are great, the staff are friendly and the students are all great characters. One of the reasons I moved to Thailand is because I didn't want to be stuck in a job that I disliked at home, whittling away the hours bored out of my mind. Teaching at Thida is as far from boring as you can get. As long as you make the lessons fun and entertaining for the class, they will respond by making your day energetic and very worthwhile.

I've had a great year and I am thankful to the students for making it one to remember. Never a dull moment!



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Having the support of Super English has definitely been pivotal to having had such a great year here in Surat. Small things, such as getting picked up at the airport on arrival, make all the difference. This is particularly pertinent when moving to a new place. They give you valuable training, sort out all visa issues for you, throw monthly parties and are always happy to help if you have a problem. This support has given me continuous peace of mind throughout the whole year and it's reassuring to know that assistance is always right around the corner if needs be. There are many incompetent and dishonest companies in Thailand and I was unfortunate enough to experience this during my first stay in Thailand. Fraudulent visas were made and we were rarely paid. With Super English it has thankfully been the opposite experience and I feel like I landed on my feet here!

The icing on the cake has been living in a great place like Surat. Look in the Lonely Planet guide and very little will be said about Surat. I looked at this in an optimistic way. Surat is a small and traditionally Thai city

with plenty of things to do and it has a ton of fantastic places to eat some proper Thai food. As a huge fan of food, eating in Surat every day has been a real pleasure! As well as this, Surat has everything you need. Football pitches, gyms, coffee shops, a stadium, bars, spas and friendly people to name but a few things Surat offers! The location of Surat is pretty much perfect. It is a stones throw from some amazing places which you can visit on weekends. A hidden gem is Khao Sok National Park. It is only an hour and a half away and offers some of the most stunning scenery you could ever wish to see. If you get the chance to teach here in Surat with Super English, grab it with both hands!



Khao Sok National Park