

Jon King

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EXPERIENCE

Senior reporter, Archant: Ilford Recorder, Romford Recorder, East London Advertiser, Barking & Dagenham Post, Newham Recorder - April 18 - present

- wrote environment, court, crime, health, politics, planning and breaking stories to deadline
- environment correspondent sourcing monthly features
- chief reporter duties including subbing copy, web scheduling and mentoring new recruits
- edited VE Day 75th anniversary and RAF 100th anniversary supplements for titles across London
- led a team of reporters in sourcing stories and edited First World War centenary pull out
- created videos, polls, infograms and quizzes
- sourced, maintained and developed contacts

Junior reporter, Archant: Ham & High, Brent & Kilburn Times - May 17 - March 18

- sourced, wrote and produced stories to deadline
- promoted stories on Twitter and Facebook to drive traffic
- edited letters pages, sourced weekly columnists
- produced timelines, videos, polls, quizzes and live blogs

Junior reporter, Archant: Newham Recorder, Barking & Dagenham Post - Oct 16 - May 17

- sourced and wrote news and feature stories using social media and community contacts

Trainee reporter, Hackney Gazette, Islington Gazette - October 16

- sourced and produced stories for online and print editions

Contributor, Times Educational Supplement – 2013 - 15

- researched and wrote a range of feature articles on issues including discrimination, mental health and teenage fathers to deadline
- published blog posts for 'Subject Genius' website

Work experience, Norwich Evening News, Eastern Daily Press - July 2015

- interviewed council leader, charity fundraisers, activists and members of the community
- researched, edited and proofed copy for online and print publications
- sourced, pitched and wrote sharp, original copy for online and print publications

Work experience, Bury Free Press, Bury St. Edmunds - February 2015

- interviewed councillors, government officials and members of the community
- researched, proofed and edited copy using InDesign
- sourced, pitched and produced sharp, original copy for print as well as online editions

Work experience, Southern Daily Echo, Southampton - August 2014

- interviewed local business leaders, NHS staff and sixth form students
- turned press releases into newsworthy articles
- compiled vox pops
- presented daily news round ups to camera

Teacher of English, Linton Village College, Cambridge - September 2003 - August 2016

- senior member of staff for thirteen years, I taught students aged 11-16 how to read perceptively and write well
- led the department to improved results at Key Stage 3 through the design of a diagnostic system of assessment
- mentored for the University of Cambridge, Faculty of Education PGCE teacher training programme. I was a member of the Faculty's mentor panel

EDUCATION

- Level 6 National Qualification in Journalism, pass – 2018
- NCTJ Diploma in Journalism, Press Association, London, Gold pass — 2015 - 2016
- MA International Studies, School of Oriental & African Studies, Merit — 2007 - 2010
- Diploma in Politics & Government, Open University — 2006 - 2007
- Postgraduate Certificate in Education, Durham University — 2002 - 2003
- Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults (CELTA) - 1999
- BA (Hons) English Language & Literature, King's College, London, 2.1 — 1995 - 1998
- A level, Sarum Academy, Salisbury, English Literature (A), Fine Art (A), Design, (B) — 1991 - 1993
- GCSE, Sarum Academy, Salisbury, Art (A), Business (B), Design Technology (A), English Language (B), English Literature (B), Humanities (A), Maths (B), Psychology (A), Spanish (A) — 1988 - 1991

SKILLS

Shorthand - 100-120 wpm using Teeline

Computing - production experience using Quark, InCopy and InDesign. Good working knowledge of MS Word, MS Excel, Pages, We Video, Infogram, Crowdtangle and Apester

French - I am currently studying intermediate level French at City University

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Clean and full UK driving license

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