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English for Job Seekers - NEW COURSE

In a time of global economic turmoil and an unprecedented number of layoffs, the key to job retention and finding work is training. Numerous reports and evidence suggest that training and education increase the chances of individuals finding and retaining employment. At Clubclass we have sought to address this reality with a 30-lesson per week course for individuals who are presently unemployed - "English for Job Seekers". The cost of this course is €120.00 per week in the low season and €150.00 per week in the high season. For more information kindly contact us at marketing@clubclass.com.mt



Staff Training



True to our commitment in staff development and ongoing teacher training, a half-day seminar for all Clubclass teachers was organised a few weeks ago. This seminar was delivered by a top teacher trainer in Malta and focused on ways that our teachers can make better use of the course book and supplement them with relevant course material. Linda Azzopardi, the director of studies at Clubclass has also just completed a 4-week full time teacher training course which has introduced her to innovative teaching methods and techniques. She will now be introducing them to the academic staff at Clubclass so they can be implemented in the classroom.

Student Mix - February 2009

In February 2009, students from over 20 different countries were attending a course in English at Clubclass. The top 10 nationalities were from - Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Russia, Spain, Switzerland and Turkey. In February we also had our first students from Brazil and the Ukraine for 2009.



Holy Week and Easter - 5 April to 12 April 2009

Holy Week celebrations in Malta start on Palm Sunday commemorating Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, however celebrations really take off on Maundy Thursday, with the commemoration of the Last Supper. Traditionally, the faithful pay visits to seven Altars of repose, preferably in different churches. Good Friday is a day of penance, and this is strictly observed through the adoration of the Cross and through traditional Good Friday processions in different villages around Malta and Gozo. Statues representing various scenes from the Passion and Death of Christ, several of them veritable works of art by local artisans, are carried processionally. Figures dressed in Biblical, Roman and Jewish attire also take part, as do the local bands playing funeral marches.



Domvs Romana - Rabat



The Domvs Romana is an icon of the Roman occupation of Malta. The mosaic pavements which depict the fierce battles which were fought by the Romans against the Carthaginians to take control over the island of Malta were produced with an extremely fine technique and have been estimated to date back to the first quarter of the first century BC. Discovered in 1881 just outside Mdina, the mosaics rank among the oldest compositions from the western Mediterranean, alongside those of Pompeii and Sicily. The Roman House also has an exhibition of artifacts which bear witness to the rich material culture and flourishing Roman civilisation in Malta.