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Arabic teacher preparation and training in the UK



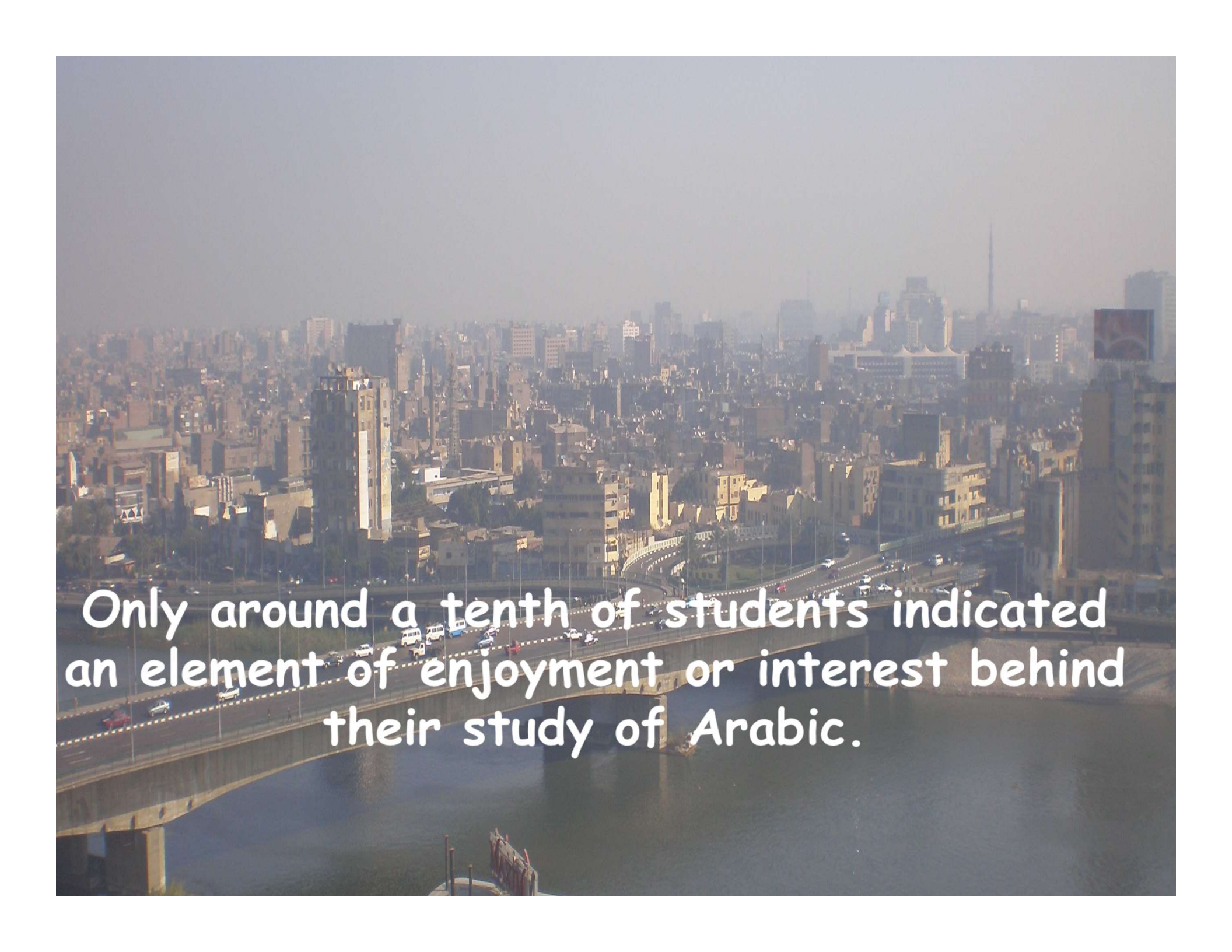
Who is learning Arabic?

- 20,000
- Independent/faith/mainstream schools
- Supplementary schools
- 'marginal' 'enrichment' or 'extra-curricular'
- HLLs/NHLLs

- 4,300 GCSE 2018 (French 120,500/German 43,260/Spanish 91,980)
- 750 A Level 2018 (French 7,945/German 2,890/Spanish 7,705)
- 256 Secondary Schools, (75%) vast majority Muslim Faith
- 4% of state schools/10% of independent schools



Arabic is growing but not in mainstream sector

An aerial photograph of a city, likely Cairo, Egypt, showing a dense urban landscape with numerous buildings and a prominent bridge crossing a river. The bridge is a multi-lane highway with several vehicles visible. The sky is hazy, and the overall scene is captured from a high vantage point.

Only around a tenth of students indicated an element of enjoyment or interest behind their study of Arabic.


Who teaches Arabic in UK?

- Teachers trained formally in UK to teach Arabic in UK schools (QTS)
- Native/non-native trained/untrained language teacher/non-language teacher





- Most teachers work alone
- Freelance/hourly paid
- MSA/Classical/Colloquial
- Methodologies

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- Parvez Blackburn Primary
 - Susan Colchester Secondary
 - Maha Cardiff Grammar
 - Zeinab Leeds Faith School
 - Attendees at BC/QFI conferences

Needs analysis

- Pedagogy/methodology
- Materials and activity design
- Planning



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- Teaching for exams (GCSE/A Level)
 - A qualification
 - Networks

A young man with dark hair, wearing a white chef's uniform, stands behind a market stall. The stall is filled with various goods, including large wooden bowls of grains, a large pile of garlic, and other produce. The background shows more shelves with packaged goods. The text is overlaid on the image.

What training and professional development is available?

- Goldsmiths certificate
- BC/QFI Conferences
- BC/QFI Summer institute
- GCSE workshops

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- Teachers Councils
 - School Centered Initial Teacher Training
 - Subject Knowledge Enhancement

An aerial photograph of a city, likely Beirut, showing a dense urban area with many buildings. In the background, there is a large body of water and a prominent bridge structure. The sky is hazy, and the overall scene is somewhat desaturated.

The Future

- PGCE
- Arabic content for teacher training
- Underpinning research
- Teaching resources



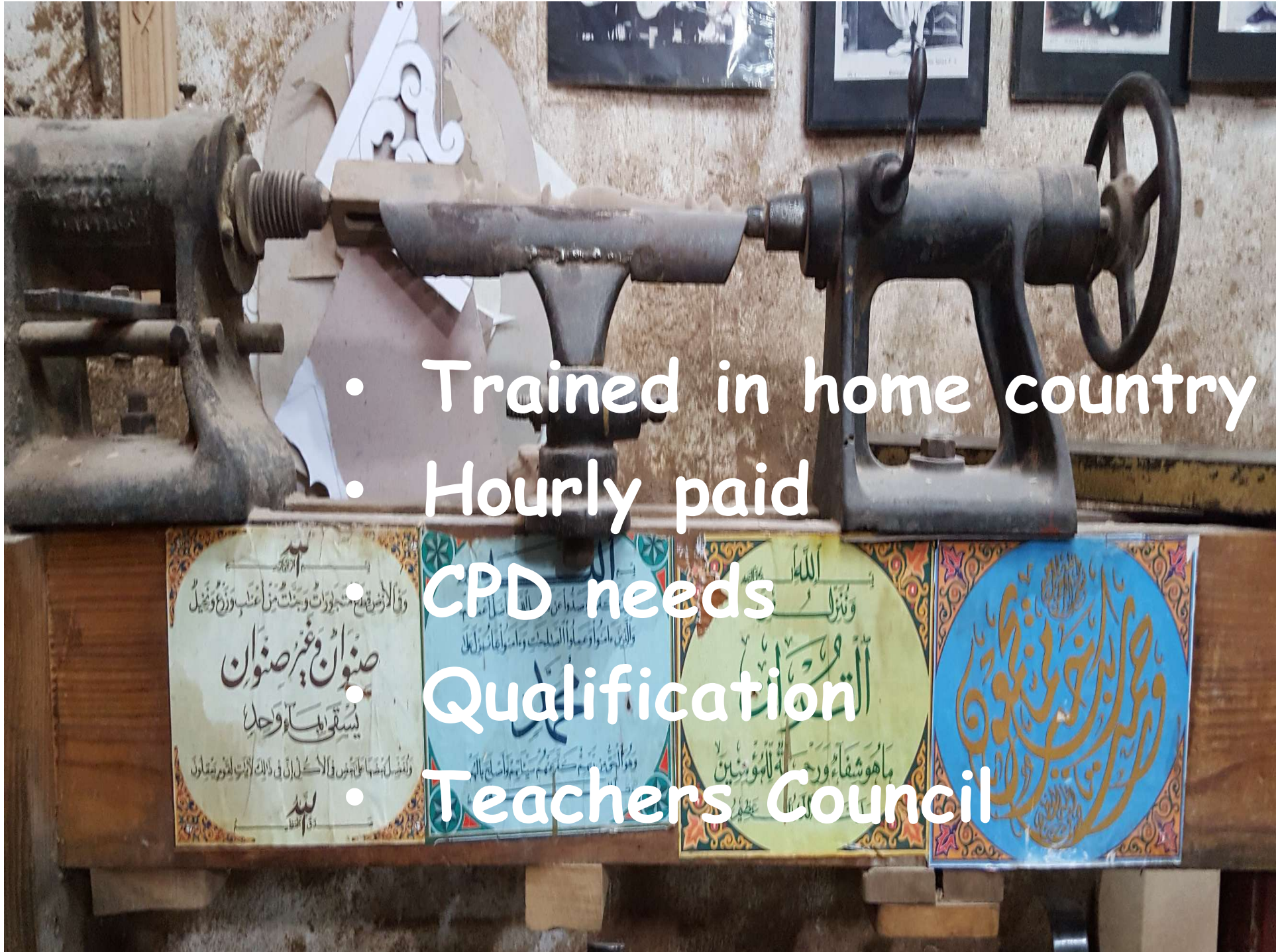
MFL Pedagogy Review 2016

- Phonics
- Grammar
- Vocabulary
- Meaningful practice

Germany

- Heritage/non-heritage
- Salzmannschule
- Supplementary/Saturday
- 14 learners after school
- School management
- Funding





- Trained in home country
- Hourly paid
- CPD needs
- Qualification
- Teachers Council



Thank you

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