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RE: BASIC EDUCARE TEACHERS TRAINING COURSE

To whom it may concern

I completed the Basic Educare Teachers Training Course in 2004. While I was living in Cape Town, I had originally contacted Mrs Hobbs via her Educare web page and asked her if she knew of any good short courses as I was struggling to find a suitable course that would not be too costly (although realising that knowledge is power and to be successful one has to have an education in their line of work) and the course had to be completed within a certain time due to my time constraints. I did have intentions of opening my own Educare Centre and I knew that I had to receive initial training without having to register at a University or College. My family moved to East London and one of my friends referred me to apply for the above course as it is well known in East London and surrounding areas and has been on offer for many years and I then realised that I had originally been in contact with Mrs Hobbs and now that I was in E.L. I could register for the above course this was a real bonus! I have met many people who have completed this course and they have all agreed that the course has been very well compiled and presented by Mrs Lynne Hobbs who has been the Chairperson of the Pre-School Care Association for many years now.

The course consisted of 26 hours of lectures and it has been amazing what I have learnt. I have many friends who have completed their tertiary teacher's training at Universities and I feel very proud while in their company as I know that from the knowledge gained, I can fit in very easily with their conversations when talking about young children.

The course is absolutely suitable for Educare and Pre-Schools and the contents of the course have most certainly contributed to my present success in working with children. I have no doubt that anyone completing this course will gain sufficient knowledge (more than that which is required) to operate a class in the Educare and Pre-School environment. The course offered everything that I had hoped for –

1. A short course
2. The course covered all the topics required by an Educare/Pre-School teacher
3. The course covered a certain amount of psychology in working with young children and parents
4. The price of the course was affordable and the bonus was the course book and certificate that we received.

The course has also helped me in raising my children as I often refer to my notes. I can fully recommend this course and would like to compliment Mrs Hobbs as she sets out to educate more and more people who wish to work with pre-school children. I wish you all the best of luck Mrs Hobbs as I display my certificate with pride and I know that you will make a difference to the quality of Educare and Pre-School teachers who do not have the time and means to study at big institutions.

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