

# Charlie Morris



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First Class  
Journalism  
Graduate &  
Qualified  
Proofreader

## Education:

College of Media and Publishing, Proofreading and Editing, 2015  
University College Falmouth, BA(Hons) Journalism, 2009 - 2012  
Magnus Church of England Sixth Form, 2007 - 2009  
Magnus Church of England Secondary School, 2002 - 2007

## Qualifications:

Proofreading and Editing Diploma - Distinction

BA(Hons) Journalism - First Class

A2 Level - Religious Studies - B

A2 Level - English Literature - C

A2 Level - Art - D

A2 Level - Design - D

GCSE - Religious Studies - A\*

GCSE - Graphic Design - A

GCSE - Geography - A

GCSE - Art - B

GCSE - English Literature - B

GCSE - English Language - B

GCSE - Russian - B

GCSE - Science - CC

GCSE - Maths - C

## Current Employment:

Freelance Proofreader

(January 2016 - Present)

Proofreader

Little Light Studios (September 2017 - Present)

## Duties:

I currently work from home as a freelance proofreader. This includes editing essays and CV's and occasionally books or short stories for clients who contact me through my website and Facebook page.

I currently offer my freelancing services to an Austrian book publisher, Little Lights Studio, proofreading and editing children's stories for their newly developed app, Bedtime Stories - Read & Tell.

## Previous Employment:

Customer Assistant

Asda Penryn, Cornwall (May 2012 - Jan 2014)

Asda Whitchurch, Bristol (June 2014 - Jan 2017)

Content Uploading

Stranger Collective, Penryn, Cornwall

(May 2011 - March 2013)

Customer Assistant

Marks and Spencer, Newark, Nottinghamshire

(September 2006 - August 2009)

## Duties:

I worked on the shopfloor on the morning process team maintaining constantly accurate stock levels, checking stock availability, and keeping warehouse standards high. I was a key team player, delegating a small team of colleagues and training new members of staff.

I worked with Stranger once a month to upload and schedule content onto Coca Cola's Live Positively Collective website using WCMS Movable Type.

Basic customer assistant responsibilities such as working extra stock and being on the checkouts.

## *Work Experiences:*

Stranger Collective, Penryn, Cornwall  
Copy Writing Agency  
Two weeks in May 2011

Newark Advertiser, Newark, Nottinghamshire  
Newspaper, Reporter  
One week in July 2010

## *Duties:*

I wrote for a variety of Stranger's clients including features for Coca Cola's Live Positively Collective, band profiles and email copy for Port Eliot Festival's website and newsletter, articles for The Cornish Mining World Heritage website, research and copy for the Cornwall based magazine Beach Retreats, as well as book reviews, transcribing interviews, competitor research, editing copy, and researching ideas.

At my desk I wrote up news stories that had been prepared for me, researching the subject and attaining quotes when needed, but I spent most of my time outside of the office, visiting local schools and companies alongside a photographer to report my own stories.

## *Skills:*

- Passed Teeline shorthand at 50 words per minute.
- Excellent computer skills and advanced working knowledge of most Microsoft Office programmes.
- Good working knowledge of Adobe Photoshop and InDesign.
- Good working knowledge of HTML/CSS editing.
- Good understanding of most social media platforms and of social media managing programs.

## *Personal Qualities:*

- I am a very passionate and self-motivated person and strive to put my best into everything that I do.
- I am very reliable and positive and have good communication and people skills.
- I am a quick learner and find it easy to adapt to changes and new ways of working.
- I have a flexible writing style and enjoy writing for various audiences, purposes and intents.
- I am very deadline-driven and pride myself in my organisation and time-keeping skills.
- I am a good multi-tasker and am very attentive to details and a focus on quality.
- I can work independently but also thrive in a creative environment.

## *Successes:*

- I have enjoyed using digital media from an early age, running a small music promotion company on MySpace at the age of 14, helping to promote local bands online, designing banners and logos, and putting on gigs. For one event, I raised over £1,000 for the Oxjam charity.
- My blog (<http://www.charliederry.com>) which I have been running for 10 years, averages at 100 views per day and often receives PR requests because of my website's high Google ranking. This has been my main focus since graduating from university and it has opened up many new opportunities for me.
- I spend a lot of my free time writing about film, TV, and literature, and have written for a number of websites, including some of the UK's biggest entertainment blogs: HeyUGuys, Filmoria, Lost In The Multiplex, BritScene, Virgin Media Shorts, MTV Sticky, and Beamly. I have also had a selection of film homepages published on Total Film.
- At university, I was a Level 2 Mentor and Student Ambassador. I helped to run our university course website, Front Page Falmouth, as Social Media Manager and our course blog, Falmouth Navigator. I also contributed often to UCF's student newspaper, Flex, and UCF's online film magazine, Rushes.
- In my first year of university, I helped to create, write for, and edit the first issue of an arts magazine titled 'Dais', which you can view online here: <http://issuu.com/charliederry/docs/dais>
- For a period of time after university I made an online film publication titled 'In Retrospect', as I enjoy putting my work into visuals, which you can view here: <http://inretrospectfilm.wordpress.com/>