

# WHERE TO WORK IN ASIA



Dan, an American expat, talks about nice places to work from or run a company in Asia.

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## VOCABULARY

### hire

You like to **hire** other English speakers.

When you hire someone, you give them a job. Notice the following:

1. *Our company is now hiring.*
2. *He was hired and then fired.*



### secluded

The house is very **secluded**.

A secluded place does not have many visitors. Notice the following:

1. *We stayed on a secluded island.*
2. *My town is secluded in the mountains.*



### off the beaten track

The town is **off the beaten track**.

The beaten track is the route most people take. Off the beaten track refers to places few people visit. Notice the following:

1. *When I travel, I try to stay off the beaten track.*
2. *We found a great village off the beaten track.*



### off the top of my head

*Off the top of my head, there are two places.*

We say 'off the top of my head' when we say ideas without much thought. Notice the following:

1. *Do you know what companies are hiring?*
2. *Off the top of my head, I think Sony is hiring.*



### stick out

*There are two places that stick out.*

Here stick out means comes to mind. Notice the following:

1. *For fashion, one place that sticks out is Paris.*
2. *Another place that sticks out is New York.*



### pop up overnight

*A big city just sort of pops up overnight.*

The phrase 'pop up' means to appear, and 'overnight' means very rapidly. Notice the following:

1. *In spring, flowers pop up overnight.*
2. *In a recession, homeless people seem to pop up overnight.*



## VOCABULARY QUIZ

hire  
off the top

secluded  
sticks out

beaten track  
pop up

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1. My favorite beach is very \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Google \_\_\_\_\_ as a good company.
  3. The cabin is off the \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. New cafes are starting to \_\_\_\_\_ everywhere.
  5. I cannot think of one \_\_\_\_\_ of my head.
  6. We hope to \_\_\_\_\_ 30 new staff.
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## COMPREHENSION QUIZ

Answer the following questions about the interview.

1. He likes the Philippines for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. its beaches
  - b. its costs
  - c. its English
  
2. Bangkok is good for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. food
  - b. connectivity
  - c. nightlife

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3. Nha Trang is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. secluded
  - b. off the beaten path
  - c. lively
  
4. China is good if you \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. are business focused
  - b. are low on funds
  - c. need a factory
  
5. Shaman is nice because it is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. like Taipei
  - b. very green
  - c. a big city

## SPEAKING

Answer these questions related to the lesson.

1. Is your area off the beaten path?
2. Would you like to live in a secluded area?
3. What sticks out as a good place to live?
4. Off the top of your head, name 5 Asian capitals.
5. Why should a company hire you?

