

Education

Elementary School Principal Provisional Certificate, University of Virginia, Falls Church, VA; 1997
M.Ed., Teaching English as a Second Language and Reading, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, IL; 1980
B.S., Elementary Education, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO; 1973

Program Evaluation

- **Immigrant Grant Portfolio**, Deutsche Bank Americas Foundation. 2008.
- **Jobs for the 21st Century: Sri Lanka Assessment**, USAID. 2006.
- **Program Reviewer, ACCESS Micro-scholarship Program, Morocco and Turkey**. U.S. Department of State, 2005.
- **Mini-Assessment in Education, USAID/Tanzania**. July - August 2003.
- **The Descriptive Study of Services for K-12th Limited English Proficient Students**, US Department of Education, Lead Evaluator for Case Studies, 2002.
- **Evaluation of Saturday STARS Program**, District of Columbia Public Schools, 2000/01.
- **Promoting Excellence for English Language Learners: An Evaluation of the Montgomery County Public Schools English for Speakers of Other Languages Program**. 2002.
- **Evaluation of the Summer STARS Program**, District of Columbia Public Schools, 2000 /01.
- **Preliminary Formative Evaluation Report: District of Columbia Public Schools**. 2000.
- **ESL Program Evaluator, American Embassy School, New Delhi, India**, 1996.

Program Administration

1997-present **Director, Teaching English as an Additional Language (TEAL) Services**. Education services provider.

2006-2007 **Education Specialist, US Agency for International Development (USAID), Office of Economic Growth, Colombo, Sri Lanka**. Cognizant Technical Officer (CTO) Workforce and Education

1999-2002 **Associate Director, Center for Equity and Excellence in Education, The George Washington University, Arlington, VA.**

1992-1994 **Director of Courses, American Language Center/USIS, Amman, Jordan...**

1989-1992 **ESL Coordinator, Fairfax County Public Schools, Fairfax, VA**. Provided leadership for the grade 1-12 ESL program in over 100 schools.

1985-89 **Program Manager, Department of Bilingual/ESOL Education, Denver Public School, CO.**

1981 **Program Coordinator**. Experientially Based Summer School, Boulder Valley Public Schools, CO

Teacher Education

Undergraduate and Graduate

1992 **Adjunct Instructor, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA**. Taught Assessment in Bilingual/ESL Settings.

1991 **TESL Methods Instructor, Ohio University, Athens, OH**. Summer Institute for South African and Namibian Teachers.

1987-88 **Adjunct Instructor, Department of Language and Culture, University of Colorado at Denver, CO.**

1981-84 **English as a Second Language Specialist, Botswana Primary Education Improvement Project, Ohio University/USAID.** Lecturer at the University of Botswana. and provider of in-service training.

In-service Training

U.S. State Department supported:

- **English Language Primary English Teacher Training**, Serbia and Poland, January 2006.
- **Project Director for Using English in Subject Classes Workshops**, Tanzania, 2005.
- **Keynote Speaker**, Kuwait Summer Institute and the 1st Qatar Network of English Teachers (QTEN), 2004.
- **Workshop on Critical Thinking and Instructional Strategies in Curriculum Development** for Ethiopia's Institute of Curriculum Development and Research. 2004.
- **Program Advisor and trainer**, Brazil and Uruguay Bi-national Centers. 1994.

Supported by other organizations:

- **What's Different about Teaching Reading to Students Learning English**, Center for Applied Linguistics, Virginia Department of Education, November 2008.
- **Project Director for English Language Workshops**. USAID/Tanzania, 2004.
- **In-service Training at the American School of Kuwait** for Pre-K-12 class teachers, 2003.
- **Trainer for Peace Corps Tanzania at Mid-service Conference**. January 2005.

Other Professional Responsibilities

- Co-compiler of an **American Themes Anthology** for U.S. State Department's ACCESS Program, in progress, 2008-2009.
- **Advisor**, Libyan National Project to Introduce English Instruction in 3rd Grade. 2005.
- **Consultant to Integrated English Language Program II, USAID/Academy for Educational Development/Egypt**. Collaborated with Egyptian writers to develop a 1st grade English textbook and teachers' manual. 2003.
- **Consultant to Global English Corporation**. Collected and analyzed English language standards to determine commonalities in curriculum in 12 target countries. 2002.
- **Advisor and English Language Textbook Editor, Ministry of Education, Vilnius Lithuania**. 1998-2001.
- **Language Consultant, Basic Education Consolidation Project, Academy for Educational Development/USAID, Gaborone, Botswana**. 1995.
- **Advisor, Swaziland Teacher Education Project, Ohio University/USAID, Mbabane, Swaziland**. 1988.

Selected Publications

- Orr, J.K., McCloskey, M.L. and Dolitsky, M. (Eds.). (2006.) *EFL in Primary Schools, Case Studies in TESOL Practice*. Arlington, VA: TESOL.
- Orr, J.K. (2005). Kids Engaged in Learning: Curricular Trends. *Proceedings of the 10th TESOL Arabia Conference: Volume 9*. Dubai, United Arab Emirates: TESOL Arabia.
- National Study of School Evaluation. (2002). *Program Evaluation: English as a Second Language*. Schaumburg, IL: Author. (contributor).
- Orr, J.K. (2001) Standards for bilingual and ESL classrooms. *NABE News*, 24, (6), 4.
- Orr, J.K. (1999). *Growing Up with English*. Washington DC: USIA. Nyati-Ramahobo, L., & Ramsay-Orr, J. (1993). Primary Education and Language Teaching in Botswana. *Common Threads of Practice: Teaching English to Children Around the World*. Alexandria, VA: TESOL.