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Kindergarten teacher – book author

Michael Aufleger – 27 years old

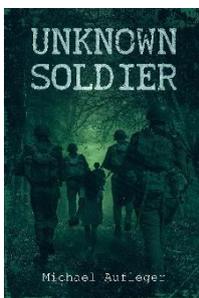
„I was 12 years old when i got a task as a tutor to teach first graders. This has been the first experience in that case and I was surprised and wondering about how I liked it so much. After that I decided to do an internship at kindergarten. It was in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. This influenced the final decision to become a kindergarten teacher. At first I had a few doubts, because it is a five year long vocational training you have to pay the theoretical education one. The pay of practical education would be less.

I had a talk with my parents and they supported my decision emotional and financially. They wiped my contrarian thoughts away. At this time, men have been attracted with a lot of marketing in case of becoming kindergartener, so I saw no reason anymore that it could be unusual. The women had been excited to have a male colleague. I still think they like it. I am working now, since eight years in this field and want don't miss one second. Of course, I don't know if I can handle that till retirement because there are some noise, stress and you need to be in form. But today, I am a resilient.

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To my way of thinking you need to be innovative and open-minded for that job. For example there is a party every year at the kindergarten and we have to optimize organizational and logistical processes. I mean logistics is to know where the stalls are standing and where the entertainment is or in another case where we find our working material. For the theme party I wrote one time a song and the whole kindergarten and teachers were entertaining the audience. This has become a tradition.“

**Do you think you have the quality of an entrepreneur?**



Maybe, I mean I am a book author as well. I wrote it 8 years ago, when I started my career as a kindergarten teacher. Half a year ago, after some iterations I published it. It is called „Unknown Soldier“. It was rather the self realization to reach this goal, not the revenue. I am a kindergarten teacher and I am proud of it. Second I have a youtube channel, which is called „Lauschecke“. There you will find uploaded audio books that i have written and spoken.“



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