

'It was quite a worthwhile job because the pay was pretty good. You can earn somewhere in the region of \$1,000 a week working as a labourer in Brisbane,' he explained.

Murray's time in Australia came to an end when his working holiday visa expired and despite various unsuccessful attempts to stay, he realised he was on the move once again.

Before leaving Australia, Murray completed a Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) course which opened opportunities to travel to other parts of the world working as a teacher.

When his Australian visitor's visa finally ran out Murray returned home for a couple of weeks before making his biggest decision yet.

He explained: 'The TEFL course instructor really sold us on the idea of working in China because of it's great history and deep culture.

'At the start nobody taking the course wanted to go but by the end around half had decided that was the right move for them.'

He moved to Shaoxing in Zhejiang Province, to teach English to Chinese businessmen and women

in a private school. Murray worked at the school for around a year but, although enjoying life in China, he found the job less than satisfying.

He said: 'The job became really repetitive and I gradually got bored of it, so I began looking for an opportunities elsewhere.'

An opportunity came from Murray's Turkish friend Erben Yurdakol who offered him a job, living in China, working for his expanding home

textiles company.

Explaining his new job he said: 'I'm working for a trading company now and my job is to export different types of goods all over the world.

'It's a good job and there is a lot of potential to make money. China's economy is great at the moment, and the country has an exciting future because it's quickly developing.'

Even with the dramatic changes he has made throughout his short life, Murray remains involved with the sport that initially drew him away from home.

'I still play football in a Shanghai International League which is full of players who have moved to China from different countries. The quality is not the greatest but it's still good just to be playing football' he said.

With so many changes in a short number of years what is next for travelling man Murray?

'I want to remain in China for the foreseeable future but plan on doing a bit more travelling somewhere down the line.

'I have friends in America I want to visit and my



*Murray and mum Judy in the busy streets of Shanghai.*

boss has an office in Brazil, so I might try to go there at some point.'

Murray's summer may be organised already as he has been invited by a German friend, who he met while in America, to go to Berlin during football's World Cup.