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ORLANDO, FLORIDA: According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, a typical American has 12 different jobs before retirement and has been with their current employer for 4.6 years.

"Experience counts when it comes to golf instruction," explained Fred Griffin, director of Grand Cypress Academy of Golf and a Top-100 Golf Magazine teacher. "Among our five instruc-

tors and myself, we have more than 130 years of teaching experience. Even our most junior instructor has been with us more than two decades.

"We understand the balance required to enjoy your vacation and learn to play better. Our Academy provides a 'booster shot in the arm' for your game and time to enjoy an afternoon playing our 45 holes of Jack Nicklaus Signature golf."

The curriculum at Grand Cypress Academy of Golf is a three-step process of assessing your game, focusing on what you want to improve most, and eventually zeroing in on two or three tips for improvement. "We deal with all kinds of golfers and personalities. History shows better players tend to use their body more while beginners overuse their arms and hands," reported Griffin. "I utilize a driving analogy with my students to explain my teaching philosophy. If they were to veer off the road into a ditch, my goal is to call a tow truck, get them back on the pavement, and fix the dent—not to escort them to the dealership to buy a Lamborghini. Simplicity is key to understanding."

ON AND OFF THE COURSE ATTRACTIONS

The Villas of Grand Cypress, located off the main exit in Lake Buena Vista, is centrally located to all of Orlando's best attractions. The resort shares a common property line with Walt Disney World and is less than 30 minutes from the Orange County Convention Center and Orlando Airport. TripAdvisor, with over 535 million reviews on its website, has rated the resort the No. 1 hotel in Orlando for four consecutive years.

Golf amenities include the Jack Nicklaus designed North, South, and East nines; The New Course, the Golden Bear's tribute to the Old Course at St. Andrews; and the Academy of Golf, with a 21-acre practice facility and three Nicklaus designed regulation length practice holes.

"The New Course is a must play," confided Griffin. "Elements include double greens, stone bridges, gorse mounds, and 150 pot bunkers—some as deep as 12 feet!" ■

For more information on seasonal golf packages and the Academy of Golf, please visit GrandCypress.com.