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Your favourite website: www.angliaexams.com

A gadget you can’t live without: too tough to decide as I’m between my mobile phone and my laptop. I choose to heavily reply on both gadgets, but for some odd reason, I seem to favour one or the other depending on the time of the day – it’s always my phone in the evening when I finally relax over a glass of wine though.

Something you’d never throw away: my own notes from either talks I’ve offered myself or those I’ve taken part in as a participant over the years, if I found the presentations interesting enough, that is.

Who or what inspires you? In answer to “who”, it’s got to be my wife and twins and when it comes to answering the “what” bit, it’ll always be sitting at my laptop, with a nice cuppa and a nice view from the window in front of me - there must always be a large window I can look out of when I’m “creating”.

Useful teaching tool: interactive boards are a great invention as they, at least these days, guarantee a fair share of intrinsic motivation on the part of the students. Skype is also something I use a lot when I’m away from the teaching / training physical environment and still have to deliver a session, be it for students or for teachers.

Your favourite lesson: one where a multinational mixed ability class, ten minutes into the lesson already, give me clear signals that “the penny has dropped several times”.

Your favourite bit about your talk: when speakers of more than one language whose mother tongue does not happen to be English as well as English native speakers realise, almost at the same time, that the latest BE pronunciation trends I’ve been describing are nothing but a natural phenomenon very closely linked to the world of Economics – that’s, for sure, the funniest bit, for me at least!

A lesson you've learnt while teaching: an interested teacher is always equipped with all the tools needed to help anyone learn, whatever their backgrounds, interests and lacks.