

Your favourite website:

I don't have a favourite website at the moment, but my go-to sites for keeping up with news, friends, PLN, zeitgeist are Facebook, Instagram and my Google news feed on my phone. I'm training it not to show me stories about football or high heels!

A book you would recommend (fictional or ELT):

I've just started reading The Ministry of Utmost Happiness, Arundhati Roy's second novel. I loved The God of Small Things, and I'm already getting drawn into the compelling world of this second book. I'll be tucking it into my Mary Poppins handbag, along with my laptop, for the long journey north from Cádiz.

Something you'd never throw away:

I'm not a de-cluttering freak or a Marie Kondo disciple, but there really isn't anything material that I wouldn't throw away if I needed the space, or that I'd mourn if I lost it. Objects can be replaced. Though I do hate throwing leftovers away after a meal. I'd much rather save them for breakfast the next day!

Who or what inspires you?

My kids, my friends, my partner. All the people around me who do wonderful things – big and small – every day. Who love and laugh and get frustrated and angry.

The funniest email/whatsapp/message you've ever sent or received (Please keep it politically correct):

My mind goes blank when faced by superlatives. Obviously autocorrect mistakes can sometimes be totally hilarious – or just downright bizarre - but when I'm put on the spot, I can't remember any! A favourite time-killing game is to just keep pressing one of the auto-options as you write a Whatsapp message and see what comes up.

Your favourite lesson:

The ones that end up with everybody in stitches over an innocent joke or misunderstanding, or when everyone's chatting away engrossed in their various conversations and there's no need – and no polite way – to call them to a stop.

Your favourite bit about your talk:

Sharing the amazing things my teacher friends are doing to support each other and learn from and with each other.

A lesson you've learnt while teaching:

No two groups, no two lessons, no two classes will ever be the same. Enjoy the variety!