Your favourite website:
I don't really have a favourite website. However, one site that I am enjoying using with my students at the moment is www.podio.com . It is a great platform for collaboration with my students.

A gadget you can't live without:
My mobile phone, as it is the link I have between me here in Spain and my family in Australia, as well as using it with my friends, and for work. It's not a question of being addicted to my phone, it's more a question of practicality and connections.

Something you'd never throw away:
A book. Books are my passion and one dream of mine is to own enough books to create my own personal library. There is something akin to magic when authors create their worlds and tell us their story, and I enjoy being immersed in a variety of contexts.

Who or what inspires you?
This is quite a difficult question to answer. If we focus on my professional life, then I could say that there have been 3 people who have made an impact on my career. Firstly, my school director when I was working at IH Sabadell- her work ethic and the way she taught kids was exceptional, and it made me want to be the best teacher I can be. Secondly, I would say Ken Robinson because after seeing his famous Ted Talk I started to see that the education system needed to be rework and renovated. His talk inspired me to want to give all students the best possible learning environment. Finally, it would be the current Canadian Prime Minister-Justin Trudeau. When he announced his cabinet, I was surprised that the posts were filled by people who had work experience in the field, for example the education minister had been a teacher. After his announcement, I decided I wanted to work in a more influential position, collaborating with schools and the government to upgrade the education syllabus as a whole. This is something I am very passionate about.

Useful teaching tool:
Your (or your student's) mobile phone. It can be used for pronunciation, with the "Ok google" function, or other voice to text recognition software. It can be used to generate discuss, for example apps, photos etc. It can be used to create student-autonomy by recording their speaking and have them listen, correct and upgrade their utterances.

Your favourite lesson:
There is a murder mystery lesson which uses modals of deduction, and over the years I have perfected the way I deliver this class and it is one that students continually mention as their favourite in their feedback.

Your favourite bit about your talk:
What I like most about my talk is that it gives some ideas of how teachers and institutions can collaborate with parents in a positive way so that together we can provide quality learning experiences for our students.

A lesson you've learnt while teaching:
Routines are vital in a classroom, for both children and adults. They give a sense of continuity as well as familiarity, which helps boost confidence, as well as helping weaker students retain the language being presented.