

The TDQ

A series of questions for you to consider for contributing to our eBulletin – for a contribution, choose a few to answer within about 100 words each. And of course, if you'd like to add a photo, even better.

1. What music do you listen to, when preparing for class or for a TD session?
2. If you give conference sessions, do you have any personal quirks when speaking in front of a bigger audience?
3. Could you tell us about one really interesting place you've trained or taught?
4. Ask a teacher or TD facilitator, what's one question you're often asked? Tell us about your answer.
5. What's one thing you wish you'd known as a new teacher? Why would it have been useful?
6. What do you hope your students remember most about you as a teacher? Why?
7. Could you tell us about the first time you tried something in class, what you learned from the experience?
8. To what extent do you think your teaching is influenced by the way you were taught? Any teacher(s) in particular?
9. How do you go about applying what you learned from any teacher training course(s) you take/have taken?
10. What advice would you give on transitioning from one job to another?
11. Tell us about one thing you do that's not connected to teaching and why you do it / what you get out of it?
12. Could you tell us about something you've read or seen, not related to ELT, that made you think about your teaching or gave you an idea or approach?
13. Have you ever tried something in class that you would never ever do again? Why?
14. Could you tell us about one idea you've heard recently that'd you'd share with other teachers in your staffroom?
15. Is there an area of ELT that you'd really like to find out more about or work on in the next three years?
16. How different is the classroom 'you' from the out of the classroom 'you' and in what ways?
17. If you couldn't be a teacher / trainer, what would you be? Why?
18. What skills, if any, were you able to transfer into teaching from your previous occupation(s) / what you did before you were a teacher?
19. What was the last film you saw that left an impression, and why?
20. What's your favourite comfort food after a hard day in class / training and where do you like eating it? Why?
21. If you were off sick for just one day, which famous person would you like to stand in for you? Why? What would you ask them to do?