



Lessons Learned. Teaching & Learning in the online/hybrid classroom

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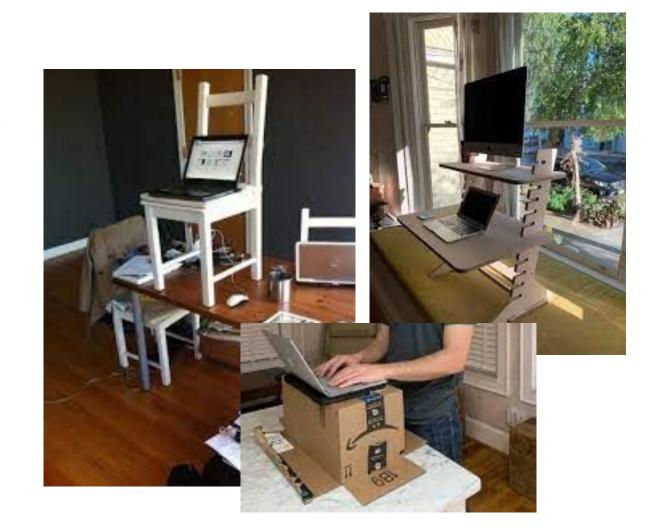
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Overview:

- My educational setting
- Lessons learned: Teaching & Learning
- Lessons learned: Leadership



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References

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ELT Myth Busting – A critical look at common classroom practice by Tim Hazell (Really worth a watch!)

The first of point of Tim Hazell's presentation referred to the use of first language in the classroom

Dogmatic Practices

- No L1 in the classroom
- 2. There is a receptive skills procedure
- 3. Whenever possible learners should work in pairs
- 4. Understanding should be checked by teacher questions
- 5. Error correction: during controlled practice, after freer practice
- 6. Eliciting is a learner-centred technique
- 7. Teacher talk is bad!

My educational setting

d'Overbroeck's College, Oxford

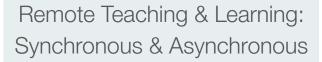
- independent, co-educational day and boarding school
- students aged 11–18 (Y7- Y13)
- 18 nationalities in The International School
- 43 nationalities in the Sixth Form





Spring 2020	Emergency remote teaching
Autumn 2020	Hybrid teaching
Spring 2021	Online teaching/hybrid teaching
Summer 2021	Classroom-based teaching

Hybrid teaching



In-person Teaching & Learning



Synchronous Remote Teaching & In-person



Hybrid teaching



Face to face teaching adds an intangible element which we haven't recreated in the hybrid world. Also that hybrid is maybe the worst of all worlds as neither those in the room or those out of the room benefit so well.

(Head of Geography, d'Overbroeck's)

I have learned an enormous amount over these last 15 months that will impact my teaching forever.

(EAL teacher, d'Overbroeck's)





Teaching & Learning



Organisation Communication

Feedback

Metacognition Self-regulated learning

Inclusion

Organisation &
Communication

Be realistic:

- about how much can be covered
- about how much your students can achieve

This is what I thought I could do...



This is what I *actually* could do!



Organisation & Communication

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Lesson plan: Consistency & Predictability



Starter

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Plenary / Reflection

Starter: Which... are you?



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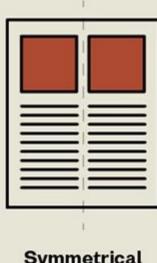
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- the quality of slides (aesthetics, design)

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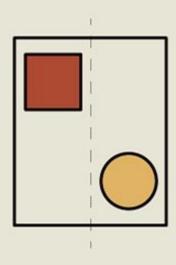
(External Communication Coordinator, International School, d'Overbroeck's)



Balance



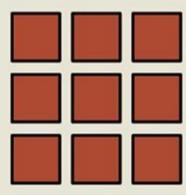
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Asymmetrical

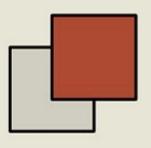


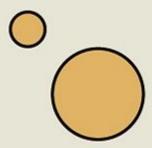
Unity





Contrast



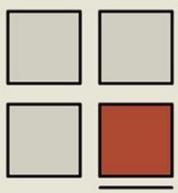


Color Contrast

Size Contrast

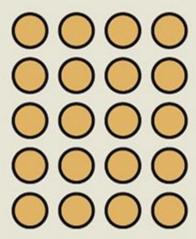


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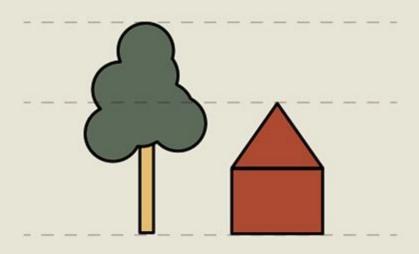


Repetition



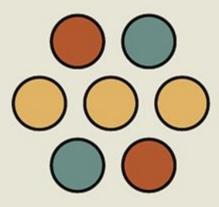


Proportion





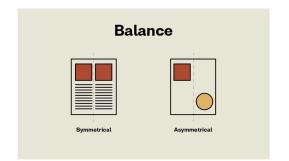
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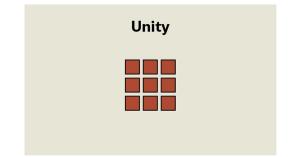


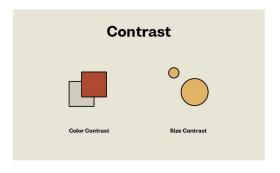


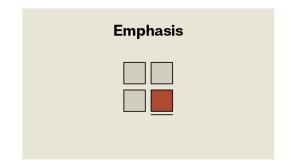
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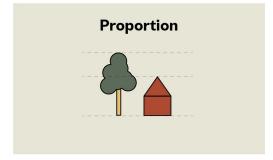


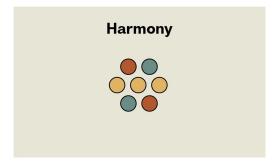


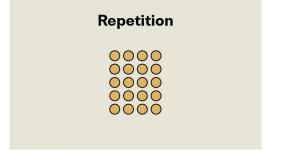


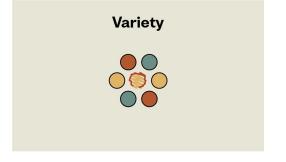












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- Be efficient
- anything that eliminates waste

Organisation &
Communication

I wasted a lot of time before, now I'm more efficient with my time. I started asking myself this question:

What does this free me up to do?

(Director of Studies, International School, d'Overbroeck's)

BENEFITS OF PAPERLESS SCHOOLS







Save Time



Streamline Learning



Make More Resources Available



Better Organization



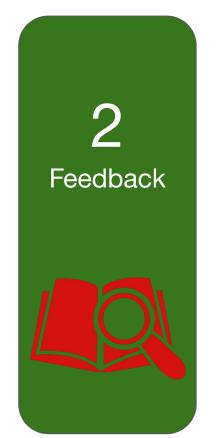
No More Lost Papers



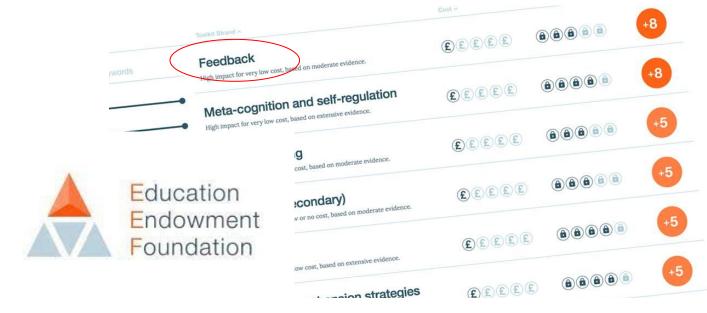
Improved Teacher-Parent Communication



Source: https://www.frevvo.com/blog/paperless-school/



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- Live feedback (MS Collaborative documents)

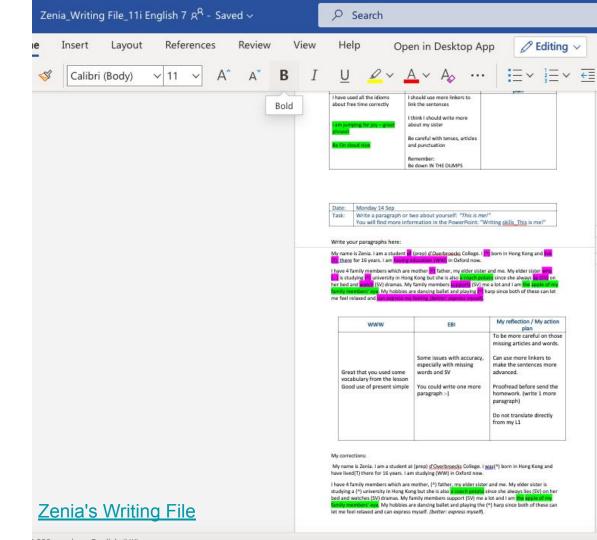
Live Documents

One document for the whole term / course

Developing writing skills

Encouraging reflection and learning from feedback

Easy to see progression





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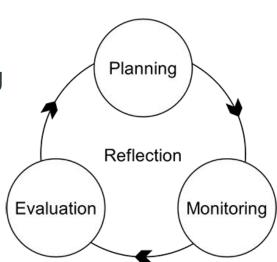
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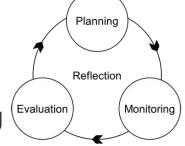
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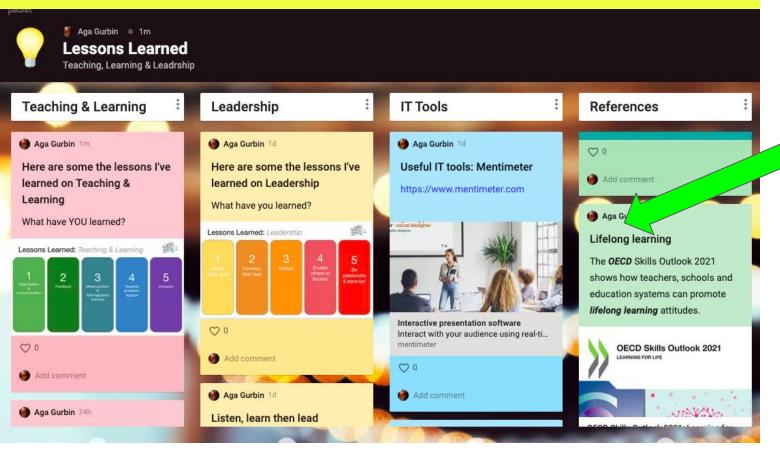
More content ≠ More learning

Metacognition &
Self-regulated learning

I started to reflect more on differentiated objectives for my lessons: Everyone MUST vs. Everyone SHOULD. It was harder online to track progress instantly and provide a different worksheet.

(Head of Science, International School, d'Overbroeck's)

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Lessons Learned: Lifelong learning

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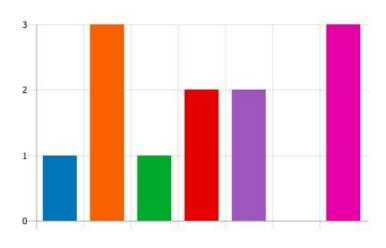
It's essential that **lifelong learning**becomes a reality for everyone since
the crisis has further accelerated the
transformation in our economy and skills
needs.

(OECD, 2021)

- 1) Students **choose** the topic the want to discuss (MS Form)
 - 1. Which topic would you like to discuss next week? You can choose more than one.

More Details





2) Students **research** the topic (Flipped learning)

How is gaming affecting us? Discuss both views.

Arguments Pro

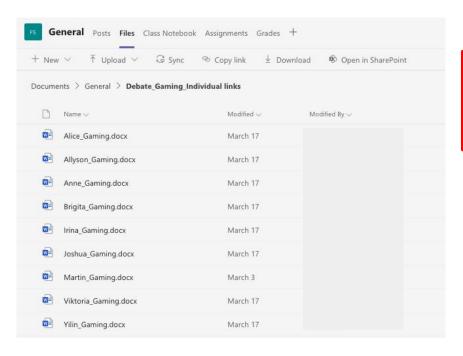
- Video games can provide a relaxation for us after a long time work or study life. Reduce symptoms of anxiety and depression

 help those who have social anxiety when getting along with others to initiate relationships and build a social friend's cycle.
- Video games that <u>are influenced by historical events or puzzle</u> games can <u>spread knowledges about important historical or</u> <u>religious events</u>. For example – some clues of the puzzle games are related with mathematics, physical and history, which can also be beneficial.
- Increase concentration and sense of purpose among individuals bring excellent hand-eye coordination, lengthen attention spans, improve working memory and rapid decision-making abilities. This allows us to be more skilled and thus can improve their performance in real activities such as sports in the reality.
- . The regions of the brain that play a role in attention are more

Arguments Against

- Addiction after the long-time gaming, you feel pleased and satisfied, then you may try it again and thus lead to addiction to video games. <u>Can lead to the prevention of enjoying anything</u> <u>else which isn't as stimulating as video games.</u>
- Emerged oneself in the video games and ignore the want from life, relationships and socialism, adventure. People who have addiction to video games may stay at home and play the game without stop, this may contribute to the loss of socialization life, study time and other outdoor activities.
- Though you may say that you can still socialize on the internet or through the game, this kind of communication is indirect, which can have some negative influences on language skills and linguistic element such as body language, facial expressions...
- Obesity and malnutrition lack of sports time and don't pay attention to healthy life style – healthy diet, stay up late.

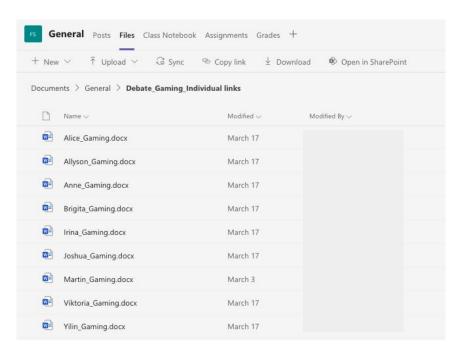
3) Students learn from and with each other



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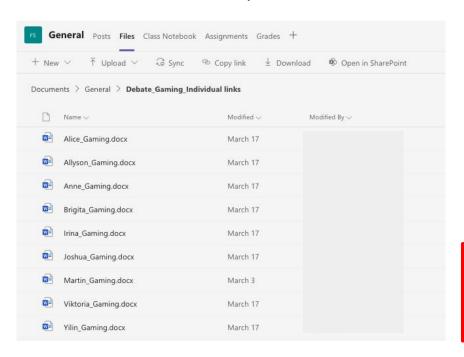
4) Students **practise** groups



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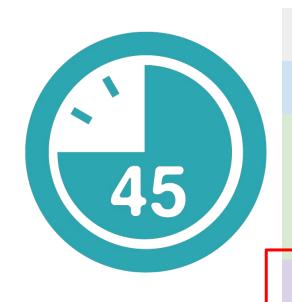
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5) Students **debate** in pairs



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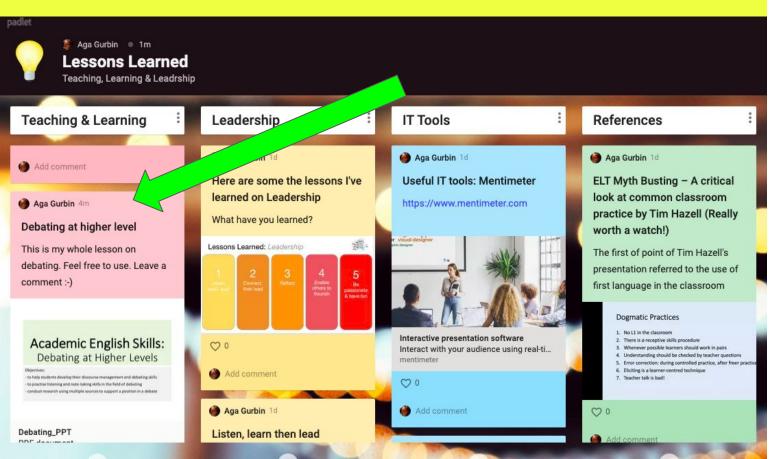
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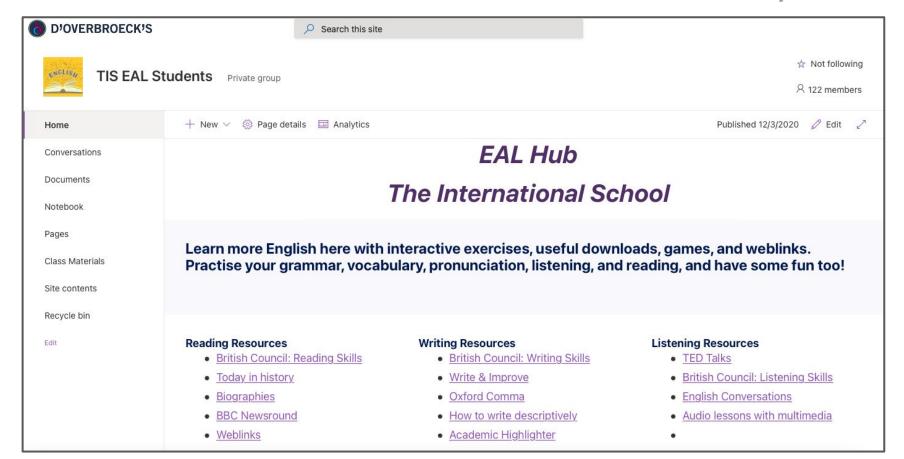
- WWW (What went well)
- EBI (Even better if)

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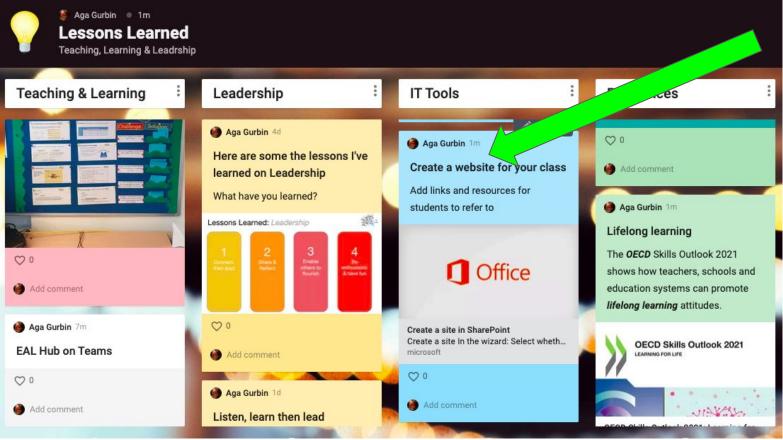




EAL Hub on Teams: Create a Site in Sharepoint



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Lessons Learned: Lifelong Learning

Metacognition &
Self-regulated learning

Three key issues:

- 1. place learners at the centre of learning
- 2. teach skills that last a lifetime
- 3. promote inclusive learning

Lessons Learned: The use of First Language

4 Inclusion

The use of students' first language

43% of the world population is bilingual

First language:

- It doesn't stop students thinking in L2
- It doesn't slow down L2 production
- ☐ The goal of SLA is bilingualism not monolingualism

(T. Hazell: *ELT Myth Busting. A critical look at common classroom practice*)

- Promotes metacognition & self-regulated learning
- Reduces classroom anxiety





Leadership



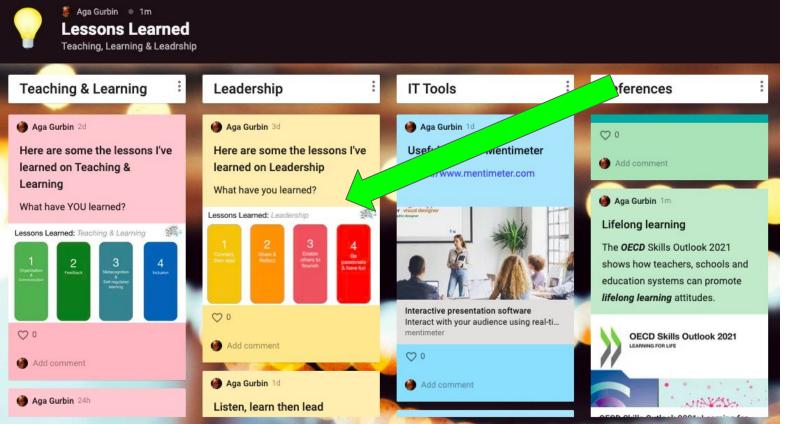
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2 Share & Reflect

Enable others to flourish

Be enthusiastic & have fun

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Connect, then lead

Whether it's teaching a group of students or presenting to staff in a meeting, the pandemic has taught me the importance of connecting with people. No matter where you are, or the methods in which you are communicating, valuing the person and acknowledging their situation is powerful.

(Deputy Head Pastoral, International School)

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Hi everyone,

I just wanted to share with You...

Online EAL Drop-ins in January 2021



- Always check the instructions before asking students to complete the work
- 3. Nominate which student should be the one to respond. (To avoid long periods of
 - silence or the same student answering everything).
- 4. Avoid asking: 'Is there anyone who would like to answer it' 5. Use the hands up function for students to show when they've finished. (It also offers an opportunity to give an extension task to fast finishers.)
 - 6. Recap of vocab from the previous day at the start of the lesson

 - 7. Return to the lesson's objectives during the lesson. 8. When using break out rooms, give students clear roles (e.g. a discussion leader,
 - 9. Do the first example with your class (modelling and ensuring everyone knows

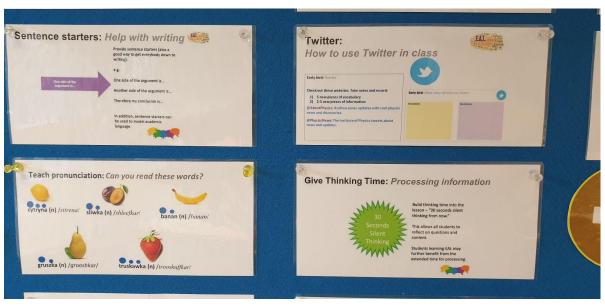
 - students' understanding/learning in plenary to inform your teaching for the next 10. Always allow (a least) 5 minutes for a plenary. Check your lesson.

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- Create a display

EAL Pedagogy: Leadership





How can we move from surviving...



... into thriving!



3
Enable others to flourish

Teachers need to feel:

- valued
- listened to
- included

I feel teachers' well-being has not been as well supported in terms of time needed.

Teachers need to have TIME to:

- plan
- reflect
- collaborate



Be a shining light



Inspire those around you

Share your successes

Lead the way

Embrace new challenges

What are some of the things that you've taken away from teaching online?

https://www.menti.com/85ikgoe611

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Thank you!

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