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FESTA PROXECTO Especial Dawn

- Good morning! My name is GABRIELA and He is MARIO. Today is Twenty four th of February, 2024 and we are interviewing Dawn Thomas. Hello Dawn, How are you?

- I am very well!

- Ok, perfect. How old are you Dawn?

- I am 55 years old.

- Dawn, When is your birthday?

- I was born on Sunday, October 6th, 1968.

- Where are you from?

- I was born in Chicago, Illinois in the United States. I moved to Spain from Iowa City, Iowa in the U.S.

- Where do you live?

- Right now, I live in Santiago de Compostela but my home is outside Atlanta, Georgia, United States.

- Tell us about your job?

- I am a teacher from the State of Iowa. I mainly teach high school (Secondary) students about English literature.

- Tell me about your family?

- My parents had 10 children. I am the oldest. I have four children and two grandchildren. They all live in Georgia in the United States. My father lives in Lisboa, Portugal, and my mother died in 2020.

- Sorry about your mum. What are your hobbies?

- I love reading, writing, and crafting, but my favorite thing is volunteering.

My favorite book is called "The Seven habits of Highly Effective People", by Steven Covey. I have read it more than seven times, and my copy is falling apart.

- Let's talk about the school. Do you like the school CEIP Pluringüe do Camiño Inglés?

- I love the school CEIP Pluringüe do Camiño Inglés. I was sharing with my dad and one of my teaching supervisors in the U.S. that I can't wait to wake up every morning to go to work!

- Me too. What subject is your favorite?

- My favorite subject is "English and literature". I am also learning so much in "plástica".

- Do you like the "Obradoiros"?

- I love reading in Infantil! The students are already learning how to pronounce a few of the words we are practicing from our book, "The Rapping Princess"

- What do you think about the children here?

- I am so impressed by the children here. I notice how curious you all are, and can easily understand the ways of other cultures. Plus, you all are really great artists!

- Oh, really?

- Yes! I'm glad you asked this. In the United States, art is not a separate or compulsory class. It is a part of the regular primary classroom, so students don't receive dedicated art instructions unless they choose it at the secondary level.

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- And what do you think about the teachers?
- I am still getting to know most of the teachers, but everyone has been so very nice and helpful. I really appreciate and like the arts teachers and how helpful and knowledgeable they are. I am learning so much from both the students and teachers!
- And what do you think about the teachers María, María and Inés?
- Maria, María and Inés are amazing! That's the only way to describe them!
- Wow! Let's move on now to something else, what food do you like?
- Well, my favourite so far is...Tortilla!!! Mario suggested that I try it on my first or second day here, and now I eat it almost every day. I love it. It is the best food ever, and we don't have anything like it in the United States.
- Fantastic. And do you like the Galician food?
- You know, I have not had much Galician food. I have not been to many places to eat, so I haven't tried many traditional dishes. I had pancakes during carnaval that María made for the students and teachers, and they were yummy!! But the Galician pancakes are very different from pancakes in the U.S.
- I'm not sure where to go to get many other Galician dishes. I would love some suggestions...
- What do you usually eat for breakfast?
- Tortilla!
- Wow, You have very good taste. Do you like Galicia?
- Yes, I do! I have visited a few other cities and they are wonderful. The views from the bus and train are amazing!
- We want to finishing the interview with two more questions... The first is What do you know about Galicia?
- I know about Carnaval which I researched before coming to Galicia. I made sure I had a mask! And I learned that the owner of Zara is from Galicia... This is a big fishing region from Spain.
- Ok, and would you live here?
- Oh boy, that's a hard question. All of my family is still in the U.S., and I miss my grandchildren so much. But, I truly love my work, and my work family here (teachers and students), so it will be difficult to leave.
- That's all. Thank you for listening.

GABRIELA and MARIO for the Radio Ü.

