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**Abstract:** Mismatches and asymmetries in terms of knowledge within the classroom digital transformation during the pandemic co-exist with a low sense of belonging and connectedness, as well as a lack of engagement might occur (Xie, Siau, & Nah, 2020). Despite the challenges and dynamics, teaching and learning process must go on. With the dynamic in the classroom throughout COVID-19 pandemic, this writing shall enrich perspectives and experiences in the suburban and urban areas in Indonesia as documented in the preexisting writings. Comparing the urban and suburban areas, infrastructure disparities and technological gaps exist. Ecologically, both areas also require freedom to interpret the implementation of online learning as well as technological integration. To cope with the multiple and overlapping issues The Ministry of Education and Culture (MOEC), teachers, students, and parents set up various strategies within the dialogic approach, to make online classrooms shall be systematic, yet humanized and flexible.

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In her research on English language and culture, she worked on several topics such as spatiotemporal metaphors, language and culture conceptualization among digital natives, and English language and culture pedagogical paradigms. She also worked on the representation of users and uses of English in Indonesian basic education textbooks as well as cosmopolitan pedagogy in a selected English language classroom. As her interest in ICT for education, she worked on the Indonesian Massive Open Online Course in collaboration with Regional English Language Office and delivered a presentation as well as a workshop on the topic.