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# On-the-Spot Essay Writing Contest

***\*Topic to be provided during the contest***

**Saturday to Sunday, May 14-15, 2011**

*The contest will be conducted electronically via the Internet. Contestants will schedule appointments to participate in the writing contest. The subject matter will be given either over the phone or by email; the contestant will write the essay on-the-spot and send it by email within two hours of getting the topic. For those with no easy access to a computer, accommodations will be made.*

**Join now by contacting any of the committee members listed below.**



***Eligibility and evaluation criteria:***

- ***Must be a high school student (i.e., 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade)***
- ***Must have at least one parent of Philippine descent***
- ***Evaluation criteria: content (50%); style (35%); grammar/spelling (15%)***

***Complete details of the above will be included in the application package to be sent to eligible applicants. Deadline for sending the registration form: Monday, May 9, 2011***

***Cash prizes:***

- ***\$200 first prize***
- ***\$100 second prize***
- ***\$50 third prize***

***All prizes to be awarded on June 11, 2011 (Phil Independence celebration)***  
***First prize winner to read essay at the Rizal Day celebration in December***



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