

## Rody Vera course Exercises

### Lesson 2

#### Exercise 1

Thesis: I believe that the most impactful parts of school are the things that happen after and outside class. Education (especially in formative years) more deeply is the experience of friendship, new situations, and unconditional (or naive) support in experimenting, dreaming, failing, and hoping. We are individuals made up of the galaxies of our experiences and the people we meet, even if we have full access only to ourselves. Youth is the most self-centered yet also most generous part of our lives.

#### Exercise 2

High school is for classroom learning only. Why extend yourself or do more than is required? It will only distract you from the most important thing - grades and keeping in line. You don't want to get any teachers angry or give any more precious time than you have to to school. You don't owe anyone anything. Just stay in your lane, trust your teachers, follow your lessons, stay within the safe and familiar, and you will be fine. All risks are unnecessary forays into danger. Why change things as they are and always have been?

#### Exercise 3

[waking up at 10pm again after crashing on the couch immediately after getting home from school, sitting down to a cold cheese sandwich left for her because she slept through dinner]

Nakakapagod talaga. Excited na'ko makalabas dito. Ayoko na pumasok, 12 hours na nasa mainit at matigas na school na 'yon. Klase hanggang 6, tapos practice hanggang 8. Pagod. Tapos may mga homework pa at project. Hay muntik pa ako bumagsak sa chem.

'wag nalang kaya ako sumali. Sabihan ko si sir. Napapagod lang ako, pinapagalitan pa ako, tapos sa huli kailangan ko pa rin naman gawin lahat ng school work para makagraduate, makapasok sa college, at makaalis na rin dito. Mas simple talaga kung papasok lang ako at uupo sa klase.

Pero sa totoo lang, 'di rin ako mapakali kung uupo lang ako sa klase. Minsan nga nagccCR ako para lang makalabas. Ang boring.

Ano man ma miss ko sa mga groupwork at tambay sa classroom, mas masaya pa rin naman pag nag rerehearse kami, may out of town pa, nakakapag uwi pa ng Marsha's.

Kahit nakakahilo, masaya. Sa mga oras na baon sa pagsasanay at gabi-gabing feedback at pag-uulit, baon naman ang mga kanta at ala-ala.

hay, nakakapagod lang talaga!

#### Exercise 4

[umaga, ihahatid ng ina sa paaralan ang anak. nasa kotse sila at nagddrive ang ina]

[nagmamadaling pumasok sa kotse ang anak, bagong ligo, basang-basa pa ang buhok. tahimik, tapos biglang nagsalita ang ina]

M: Kumusta yung sandwich kagabi?

C: Ah oo, masarap, thank you. Ano po ulam niyo kagabi? 'di ko nanaman nasabutan nang gising.

M: Pinainit mo ba? Mas masarap pag mainit, sa oven toaster. Malamig na siguro yun pagkagising mo, Anong oras ka umakyat, tulog na ata kami. Sana naligo ka muna! bilis mo humiga eh!

C: Okay na yun. Eh wala eh kailangan ko na humiga bago pa gumawa ng kahit ano, wala nang energy

M: Oo mabuti magpahinga pero sana naligo ka muna. Ligo, kain, tapos tulog. Bakit ba ang late niyo nanaman kagabi? 'Di ba hanggang 5 lang klase niyo? Tuesday lang hanggang 6 di ba?

C: Opo, may practice kasi malapit na yung English day, so sa gym na kami, yun lang yung oras na pwede kami pumasok at gamitin.

M. [pause] 'di pa ba yan sumosobra? Nakakpasok ka pa ba?

C: Opo, yun na nga eh, kung pwedeng sanang hindi tapos deretso practice

M: Anong hindi na? malapit na ang mga college entrance exam!

(nilabas ang sandwich na baon, kumagat)

C: Yes po. pero ang boring! what's teh point of going to school just for school. All the learning happens outside!

M: ano yan?

C: sandwich.

M: 'di ka nanaman kumain?

C: may tinapos lang ako kagabi si sinagad ko na tulog kanina.

M: (nakikitang passionate talaga ang anak) O, sige na. pero sa susunod, painitin mo muna. Pwede naman yang gingagawa mo pero alagaan mo rin sarili mo ah? o, ayan nakaabot pa tayo di mo kailangan tumakbo papasok

C: Thank you, bye!! 7 po ulit mamaya, pero baka 8, see you love you bye!

This is my very first attempt at writing.

If you have any constructive feedback, I appreciate it! You can send it to [ingridmespinosa@yahoo.com](mailto:ingridmespinosa@yahoo.com).

Thank you!