

Activity No. 5

Critical Thinking Activity: “Tracing Rizal’s Growth as a Global Thinker”

Title: *From Traveler to Thinker: Rizal’s Transformation in His European Sojourns*

Objective: To analyze how Rizal’s travels and experiences abroad shaped his nationalist ideas, intellectual maturity, and reformist vision for the Philippines.

Instructions:

1. Read and Reflect:

Review Chapters 13–16 of your module focusing on Rizal’s experiences in the United States, London, Paris, and Brussels.

2. Choose Three (3) Key Experiences from different places Rizal visited (for example:

- His impression of racial discrimination in America,
- His annotation of Morga’s *Sucesos* in London,
- His articles in *La Solidaridad* in Paris,
- His writing of *El Filibusterismo* in Brussels).

3. Analyze Critically:

For each chosen experience, answer the following guide questions (in essay or short-paragraph form):

- **a.** What specific event or experience did Rizal encounter?
- **b.** What problem or issue did it make him realize?
- **c.** How did this experience influence Rizal’s ideas or actions as a reformist/nationalist?
- **d.** If you were in Rizal’s position, would you have reacted the same way? Why or why not?

4. Synthesize:

Conclude with a short reflection (10–17 sentences):

“How did Rizal’s international experiences help him see the Philippines from a global perspective, and what lessons can today’s youth learn from this?”

Output Format:

- One-page essay (handwritten, clean and organized)
- Use headings for each country or experience
- Include at least one meaningful quotation from Rizal's letters or writings
- Scan or picture your output and turn in in our GClass
- Not following instructions is deduction of points

Assessment Criteria (100 points total):

Criteria	Description	Points
Understanding	Clear grasp of Rizal's experiences and their context	25
Critical Thinking	Insightful connections between Rizal's travels and his transformation	45
Reflection	Personal and meaningful reflection on Rizal's lessons	20
Presentation	Organized, coherent, and neat work	10