**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** |
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| 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 |