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**Answer the following:**

**1. What is freedom of expression and its restrictions according to the Philippine Constitution?**

- Freedom of expression in the Philippine Constitution refers to the person's right to seek, receive and impart information and ideas of your choice without interference regardless of frontiers. The restrictions on the freedom of expression are on what a person says in a pending case, bring courts to discredit, and libel or defamation.

**2. Why is it important for Filipino citizens to exercise freedom of expression and of the press and the right to information?**

- Freedom of expression allows citizens to express their thoughts and ideas which can be beneficial to society. Right to information allows citizens to hold public officials and personalities accountable on their malicious actions.

**3. What is the basis for the protection of freedom of expression in the Philippines?**

- The basis of the protection of freedom of expression in the Philippines lies on the Section 4 of the Article III of the 1987 Philippine Constitution which guarantees freedom of expression which includes the following:

- Freedom from Prior Restraint or Censorship - (by the government), cannot invoke Article III, section 4 of the Constitution against private groups.
- Freedom from Punishment – cannot punish a citizen for demonstrating his/her freedom of expression.
- Discovery of Truth (free market of an idea)
- For self-government (We choose our government, so we can criticize them.)

**4. Why our freedom of expression is important to an individual?**

- Freedom of expression is important to an individual because it allows and creates a secure platform for critical voices. It ensures that the people have the right to seek, obtain, receive, and hold information. It reinforces other human rights, allowing society to develop and progress.

**5. Among the types of cybercrimes mentioned in this lesson, what do you think had the most dangerous impact on humankind and why?**

- The cybercrime that had the most dangerous impact on humankind for me is hacking. Hacking is the basis of other cybercrimes since it aims to obtain sensitive information of a person. Hacking also introduced other techniques on which a hacker can gain access to a person's computer or account like malware and the like.

**6. List the Types of Intellectual Property Rights.**

- Trademark
  - Any visible sign capable of distinguishing the goods (trademark) or services (service mark) of an enterprise and shall include a stamped or marked container of goods.
- Copyright
  - Confined in literary and artistic works which are originally intellectual creations in the literary or artistic domain protected from the moment of their creation. The author's legal ownership of his/her original intellectual creations in the literary and artistic domains.
- Patent
  - Any technical solution of a problem in any field of human activity which is new, involves an inventive step and is industrially applicable. The patent owner can deprive others from using his patent for a period of twenty years.

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