

UNIT 6 TALKING ABOUT INSPIRING INDONESIAN FIGURES

Practice 1. Try to match the information in the box with the pictures!

3 rd President of Indonesia	Mr. Crack	Bambang Pamungkas
Raden Adjeng Kartini	Semarang	Pare-Pare
June 10 th , 1980	Activist	June 25 th , 1937
Football Player	Bacharuddin Jusuf Habibie	Jepara
Bepe	April 21 st , 1879	National Heroine



Picture 6.a.

Source : *en.wikipedia.org*

Ir. Soekarno

1st President of Indonesia

Surabaya

June 6th, 1901

The Father of Nation



Picture 6.b.

Source : *en.wikipedia.org*



Picture 6.c.

Source : *en.wikipedia.org*



Picture 6.d.

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Practice 2. Read the following passage!

Indonesia, a country which has been independent for 74 years, has many inspiring figures. Starting from The Father of Nation, Ir. Soekarno, born in Surabaya on June 6th, 1901, Indonesia has also several figures whose roles are important in progress and development in Indonesia, either from politics aspect or sport, for example, Raden Adjeng Kartini, Bacharuddin Jusuf Habibie, and a football player, Bambang Pamungkas.

First, The Father of Nation is Ir. Soekarno. In the early morning of 17 August 1945, Sukarno returned to his house at Jalan Pegangsaan Timur No. 56, where he was joined by Mohammad Hatta. Throughout the morning, impromptu leaflets printed by PETA and youth elements informed the population of the impending proclamation. Finally, at 10 am, Sukarno and Hatta stepped to the front porch, where Sukarno declared the independence of the Republic of Indonesia in front of a crowd of 500 people. Therefore, he is also known as a The Father of Nation.

Next, Raden Ayu Kartini, was a prominent Indonesian national heroine from Java. She was also a pioneer in the area of education for

girls and women's rights for Indonesians. Born in Jepara on April 21st, 1879, Kartini wrote letters about her feelings and they were published in a Dutch magazine and later as: Out of Darkness to Light, Women's Life in the Village, and Letters of a Javanese Princess. Her birthday is now celebrated as Kartini Day in Indonesia.

Besides, Indonesia also has the Mr. Crack from Indonesia, Bacharuddin Jusuf Habibie, because of his expertise in calculating random on-propagation cracks to aircraft atoms. In the world of science and technology, aerospace experts know what is called the Habibie Theory, the Habibie Factor, and the Habibie Function.

Last, an Indonesian professional footballer, Bambang Pamungkas, also known as Bepe, made his name in South East Asian football when he scored the only goal for Indonesia at the 2002 Tiger Cup semifinal against Malaysia, and was the tournament's top scorer with eight goals. He is considered to be an outstanding header of the ball and has a reputation for sharpness in the penalty box. He is Indonesia's record holder in terms of both appearances and goal scoring, earning 86 caps and 38 goals with the Indonesia national team, and is perhaps the team's most popular player among its supporters.

Practice 3. Complete the table in ten minutes!

What inspiring figure from the past would you like to meet?

No	Name	Reasons	How could he/she be inspiring?	Where and when was he/she born?
1.	Ir. Soekarno	Because he was The Father of Nation	He declared the independence of the Republic of Indonesia in front of a crowd of 500 people.	Surabaya, June 6 th , 1901
2.				
3.				
4.				

Practice 4. Please discuss (in turn) with a friend in pairs according to the information you have provided in the table. You may follow the model of the dialogue below!

- A : What inspiring figure from the past would you like to meet?
B : The inspiring figure from the past I would like to meet is Ir. Soekarno.
A : Why would you like to meet him?
B : I would like to meet him because he is The Father of Nation.
A : How could he be inspiring?
B : He declared the independence of the Republic of Indonesia in front of a crowd of 500 people.
A : Where and when he was born?
B : He was born in Surabaya on June 6th, 1901.

Practice 5. Discuss (in turn) what you have discussed in Practice 4 with another pairs or dyads. You can follow the model of dialogue as below!

- C : Could you please tell me what figure from the past B would like to meet?
A : Sure.
C : What inspiring figure from the past would B like to meet?
A : The inspiring figure from the past B would like to meet is Ir. Soekarno.
C : Why would B like to meet him?
A : B would like to meet him because he is The Father of Nation.
C : How could he be inspiring?
A : He declared the independence of the Republic of Indonesia in front of a crowd of 500 people.
C : Where and when he was born?
A : He was born in Surabaya on June 6th, 1901.

Practice 6. Report (in turn) what inspiring figure from the past you would like to meet in a group of three or four students. The rest of the students need to ask him or her some questions after he/she has finished what inspiring figure from the past you would like to meet. The student may start telling it using the following models!

A : I would like to talk about what inspiring figure from the past I would like to meet. The inspiring figure from the past B would like to meet is Ir. Soekarno.

D : (Could you please) tell me why you would like to meet him?

A : I would like to meet him because he is The Father of Nation.

E : How could he be inspiring?

A : He declared the independence of the Republic of Indonesia in front of a crowd of 500 people.

C : Where and when he was born?

A : He was born in Surabaya on June 6th, 1901.

Practice 7. Voluntarily tell what inspiring figure from the past you would like to meet to the whole class as shown in the example below!

Good morning my dear friends, I would like to talk about what inspiring figure from the past I would like to meet. The inspiring figure from the past I would like to meet is Ir. Soekarno. I would like to meet him because he is The Father of Nation. He declared the independence of the Republic of Indonesia in front of a crowd of 500 people. He was born in Surabaya on June 6th, 1901.