



Group 5

Today's agenda

Activity 1: Read Rizal's essay, "On the Indolence of the Filipinos."

Determine Rizal's main argument in the section assigned to your group by making a graphic organizer as illustrated. More branches may be added to the graphic organizers.

Activity 2: Write an essay reflecting the ideas of Rizal presented in his work, 'On the Indolence of Filipino.'

- **Do you believe that indolence is an inherent trait among the Filipinos?**
 - **Do you agree or disagree with the reasons Rizal presented? Why or why not?**

ACTIVITY 1

*Spaniards Wrong
Idea Toward Work*

MAIN REASON 1

Spanish rulers viewed their country's trading partners with suspicion, and as a result, labor and commerce were discouraged.

Filipinos have been involved in economic activities such as agriculture and trade even before the arrival of Spaniards. However, due to pirate attacks and the numerous prohibitions imposed by the Spanish government, which provides little assistance to crops or farmers, trade has deteriorated.

Many government officials have monopolized businesses, there is widespread red tape and bribery, and the government tolerates rampant gambling.

MAIN REASON 2

Several Reasons that may have caused the Filipino's cultural and economic decadence

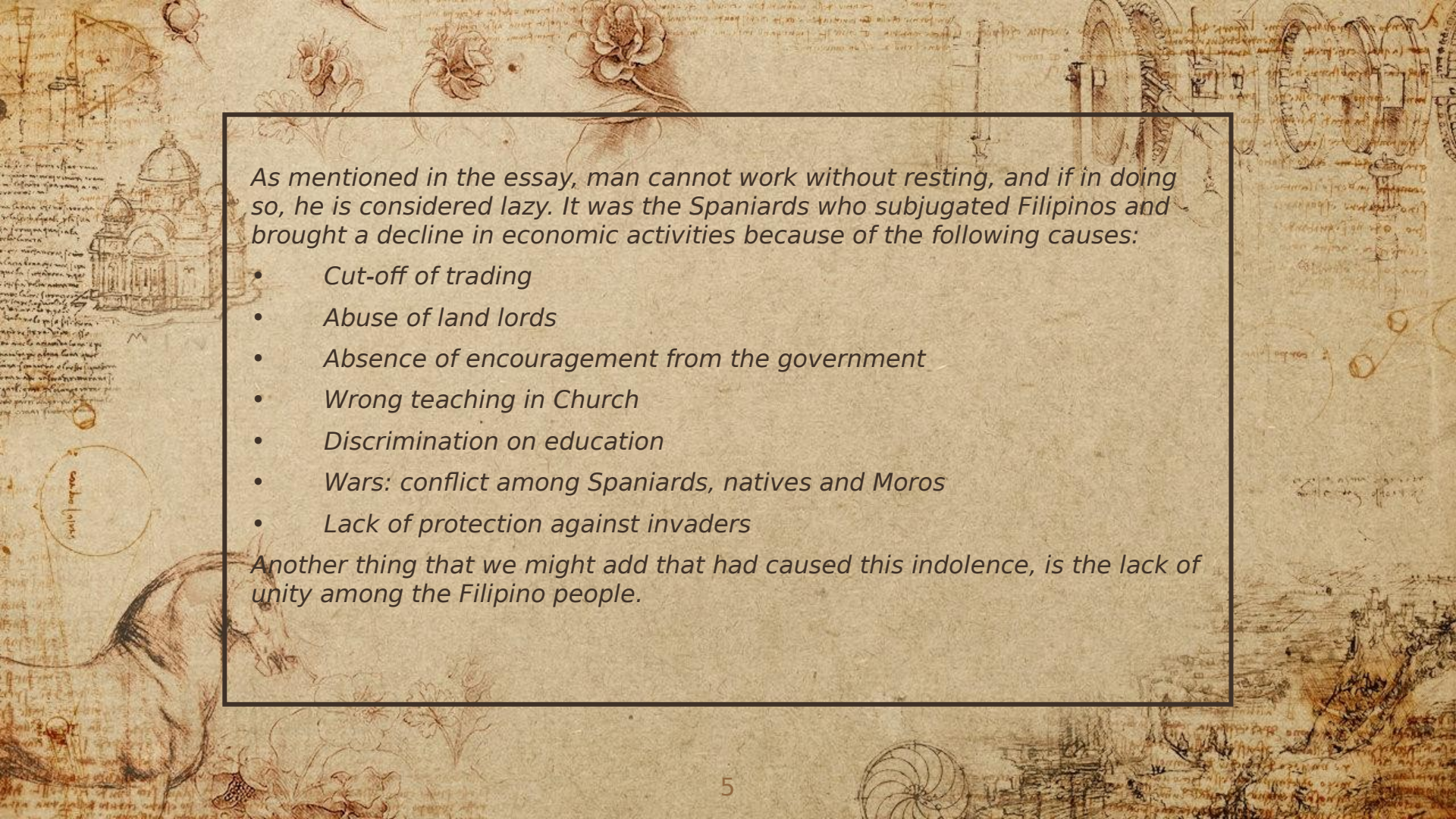
Church's wrong doctrine which holds that the rich will not go to heaven, thus engendering a wrong attitude toward work. Frequent wars, insurrections, and invasions have brought disorder to the communities, and chaos has been widespread and destruction rampant.

Population has been decrease in number because Filipinos have been sent abroad to fight wars for Spain or expeditions. Due to forced labor, many men have been sent to shipyards to construct vessels.



Do you believe that indolence is an inherent trait among the Filipinos?

Indolence is not an inherent trait among Filipinos due to the fact that Filipino natives were industriously conducting business prior to the arrival of the Spaniards. They raised on an active trade, not only among themselves but also with other neighbouring countries such as China, Japan, Arabia, Malaysia, and other countries in the Middle East. This is a proof that Filipinos were not indolent. However, it is innate in human nature the laziness in dealing with some factors like climate.



As mentioned in the essay, man cannot work without resting, and if in doing so, he is considered lazy. It was the Spaniards who subjugated Filipinos and brought a decline in economic activities because of the following causes:

- *Cut-off of trading*
- *Abuse of land lords*
- *Absence of encouragement from the government*
- *Wrong teaching in Church*
- *Discrimination on education*
- *Wars: conflict among Spaniards, natives and Moros*
- *Lack of protection against invaders*

Another thing that we might add that had caused this indolence, is the lack of unity among the Filipino people.

**Do you agree or disagree with the reasons
Rizal presented? Why or why not?**

❖ **Wala pa mi answer hahahha**



Thank you