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## FINAL TERM ACTIVITIES

### I. In 1-2 sentences, briefly answer the following: (3 points each)

1. What does filibustero mean?
  - Filibustero is translated as “subversive; a patriot who was usually associated with revolutionary activities.
  
2. Why did Rizal dedicate El Filibusterismo to GomBurZa?
  - It is because the priests named Mariano Gomez, Jose Burgos and Jacinto Zamora, who are being accused of being filibusters (the one who eager for the independence of the country, resorted to various extralegal proceedings in order to reach the objective that they pursue) in 1872. Also on believing a concept in their mind and heart that one day, the colonization of Spaniards will be put to an end. They are known as the victims, a perspective by Rizal, against the Spanish Colonization that Rizal wants to portray the wrongdoings and the inequality of both Spaniards and the Filipinos.
  
3. What were the struggles that Rizal went through to publish El Fili?
  - The novel was written against the background of threats and oppressions he and his family suffered because of the Noli and the so-called Calamba agrarian trouble. In this concept of El Filibusterismo of Rizal, one could see how a victim of oppression and injustice could turn into an influential revolutionary.
  
4. Choose a character in the novel El Filibusterismo. What does he/she symbolize in relation to Philippine society today?
  - Isagani. He is the symbol of the youth whose love for the country is great to the point of being branded as idealistic.
  
5. After reading Rizal's two novels, how will you appraise Rizal as a novelist?
  - Rizal really showed people, by writing these novels, on how the Philippines has been unequally governed by the Spanish government. On what are the ways Spaniards mistreated them through hideous acts. Also, in order to portray his

steps to be able to get the independence or freedom from Spain through sacrificial choices and numerous dilemmas that he have been encountered throughout his life.

6. What is the importance of writing/studying a biography?
  - The purpose is to be able to share the life of another person’s story to be interesting or have themes that can apply to life today. Reading about the real life story of a successful or remarkable person often influences, motivates or provides encouragement. As how people learn about a person that has overcome the challenges in the novel that they’ve been reading, it comes to their perspective that they can also overcome their own challenges in life.
  
7. How is biography related to national history?
  - Biographies aid in the understanding of history, and history will also aid in the understanding of biographies by providing context. As defined, “history” is the fact that society is located in a broad stream of events, and “biography” refers to an individual’s specific experiences.

**II. Writing Exercise: Create your own ending of the story of each character.**  
(5 points each)

<b>CHARACTER</b>	<b>END STORY</b>
<b>Simoun</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He lived a longer life, after the success of revolting against the Spanish Government. He tends to continue his journey as the wealthy jeweler together with his own family.</li> </ul>
<b>Basilio</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basilio will become a good doctor, building his own clinic and be able to share stories about his past childhood life with his family. And also, be able to give time to enjoy together with his brother, Crispin.</li> </ul>
<b>Maria Clara</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She will be married to Crisostomo Ibarra, in a church full of guests with both Ibarra and Maria Clara’s family without issues and only acceptance. She will finally love Ibarra with no hesitations and secrets hidden.</li> </ul>

<b>Padre Salvi</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• He is able to face Crisostomo Ibarra face-to-face, even though Padre Salvi has many faults against Ibarra. Instead of fighting, Padre Salvi goes on his knees, begging for forgiveness at Ibarra. Ibarra forgives him and is able to befriend him after all of the wrongdoings that Padre Salvi gave to him.</li></ul>
<b>Kabesang Tales</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• He tends to still continue his being hardworking for his family. After all the hard work, someone in the government gives him the ownership of a land in a forest. A land that he's been longing to have that, is finally giving it as a reward for working so hard. And so, with this land, his own family never struggled to find food ever again.</li></ul>