



What Is This Module About?

Sometimes the world can seem like such a big place. If your community or even your province seems very big, then you can just imagine how big the world is! The amazing thing is, even if the world is such a big place, different people from all over have found a way to interact with each other. People all over the world have developed links with each other even if many countries are separated by big oceans or very tall mountains. Even in your community, you might be surprised to know that you are linked with other people in other communities all over the world. That is what this module is about.

In this module, you will learn how the Philippines is connected to the rest of the world. We as Filipinos are linked to other countries and people around the world in many ways. The food we eat, the products we buy, the places where we work, the shows we watch on television or at the movies, and the sports we play are all affected by our link with other countries. In this module, you will learn more about some of the areas where there is close interaction between the Philippines and other countries. You will also learn how these overseas linkages affect your daily activities. As you study this module, you will realize just how important our link to the world is in our daily lives.

This module is made up of two lessons:

Lesson 1 — *I Am Connected to the World!*

Lesson 2 — *How Do These Links Affect Me?*



What Will You Learn From This Module?

After studying this module, you should be able to:

- ◆ identify some familiar products and services which are good examples of links between the Philippines and the world;
- ◆ identify and describe the major areas that connect the Philippines to the rest of the world; and
- ◆ explain how these links can effect your daily life and activities.



Let's See What You Already Know

How much do you know about the topic of this module? Why don't you answer the questions below to find out.

A. Identify which of the products below are common examples of products that link the Philippines to the rest of the world. Place a check mark (✓) in the space provided before the number.

- _____ 1. Fertilizers
- _____ 2. Cellular phones
- _____ 3. Coconut oil
- _____ 4. Tricycles
- _____ 5. Electronics
- _____ 6. Garments
- _____ 7. Fish and prawns
- _____ 8. Iron and steel
- _____ 9. Bananas
- _____ 10. Sugar

B. Give two statements that describe how the Philippines is linked to the rest of the world in terms of the given areas below. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

1. Business and Industry

2. Sports

3. Work

4. Media

5. Education

C. Answer the following questions briefly. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

1. How do links between the Philippines and the world affect the choices and quality of rice available in the market?

2. How do links between the Philippines and the world affect the kinds of shows aired on television?

3. How do links between the Philippines and the world affect the kinds of educational programs developed by the Philippine government?

4. How can links between the Philippines and the world determine what kinds of jobs are available for Filipinos?

5. How do links between the Philippines and the world affect tricycle or jeepney fares?

6. How do links between the Philippines and the world affect how much in pesos can be exchanged for another currency?

Well, how was it? Do you think you fared well? Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 41–43 to find out.

If all your answers are correct, very good! You may still study the module to review what you already know. Who knows, you might learn a few more new things as well.

If you got a low score, don't feel bad. This only means that this module is for you. It will help you understand some important concepts that you can apply in your daily life. If you study this module carefully, you will learn the answers to all the items in the test and a lot more! Are you ready?

You may go now to the next page to begin Lesson 1.

I Am Connected to the World!

Have you ever wondered about where the different products you use every day come from? Shampoos, laundry soaps, food, drinks, electrical appliances, plates, cups and saucers, spoons, forks, pots and pans are just some of the products that we use every day. Many of these products are made locally but many others come from other countries around the world. You have probably seen many television shows or movies that feature stars from other countries. Maybe you have even seen an NBA basketball match, a world championship boxing fight or the Olympics. These are things that you might be very familiar with. They are all examples of how the Philippines is linked to the other parts of the world.

In this lesson, we shall identify some products, services and programs that are examples of links between the Philippines and the world. These products, services and programs have become a very familiar part of our daily lives, and it would be hard to imagine life without them.

After studying this lesson, you should be able to identify some of the products, services and programs that link the Philippines to the rest of the world.

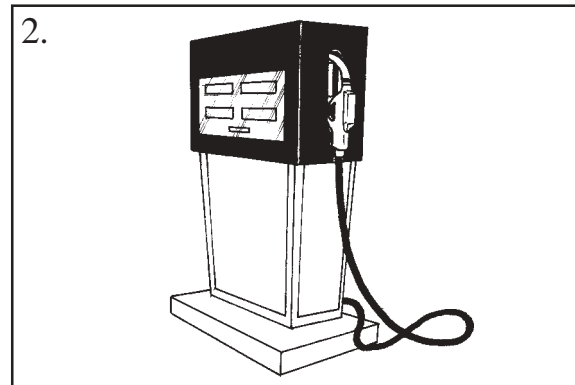
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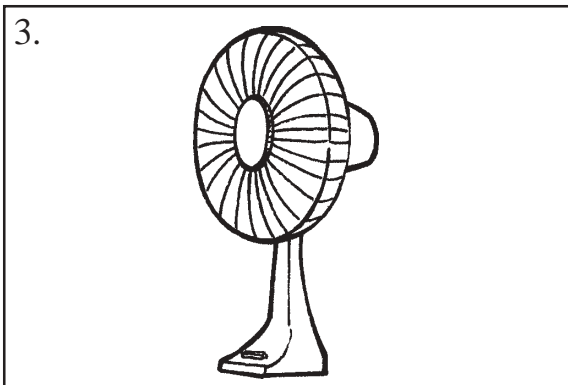


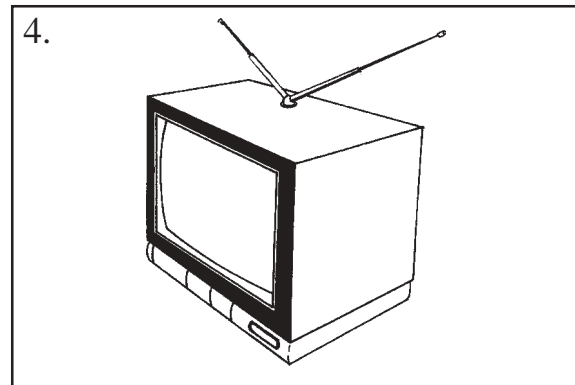
Let's Try This

Look at the pictures below. Which of the following objects are you familiar with? Identify each of them below. How important are these things in your daily life? Write your answers in the spaces provided.





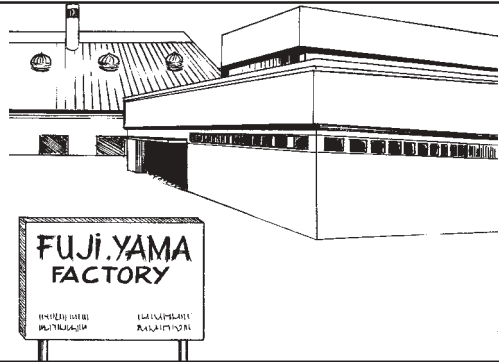




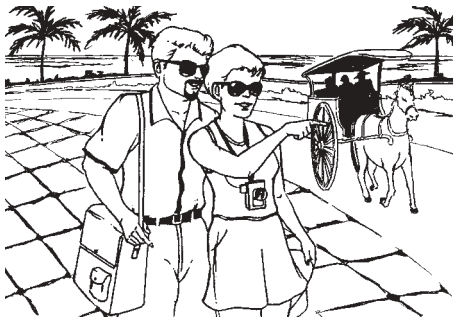
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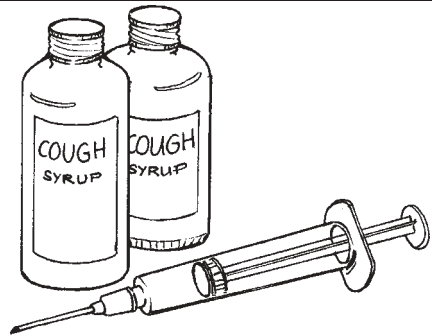
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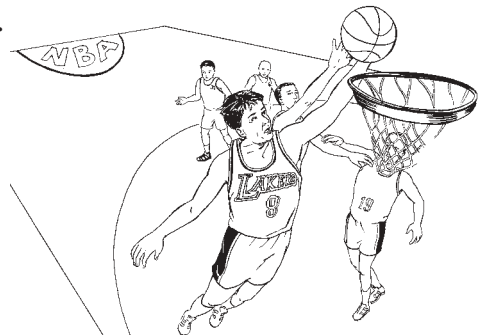
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Were you able to identify all the objects in the pictures? Are they all important in your daily life? Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 43–45.



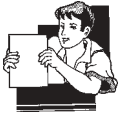
Let's Study and Analyze

In the previous activity, you were asked to identify some objects. Which of them were you very familiar with? Can you think of any possible connections these things might have with other parts of the world? As you think about this, ask yourself the following questions:

1. Who makes my shampoo or soap?
2. Where does the oil used to make gasoline come from?
3. Where are electric fans and other common house appliances made?
4. Why are there many television shows featuring foreign actresses and actors?
5. Why is it that when I exchange dollars for pesos, the rate is never the same?
6. How come there are many factories in the Philippines that provide jobs to many Filipinos but are owned by foreigners?
7. Why do foreigners come to the Philippines to take pictures and go to different places around the country?
8. Where does the medicine for my cough or cold come from?
9. Why do many Filipinos go to other countries to work?
10. What are the different sporting events that Filipinos train for?

Have you given enough thought to each of these questions? Maybe you knew the answer to some of the questions right away. Maybe you had to think hard about some others. The important thing is that each of these questions helps us see that many of the things we consider important in our daily lives are actually good examples of how the Philippines is connected to the rest of the world. When we use some products or services, we are part of that link between the Philippines and many other countries all over the world.

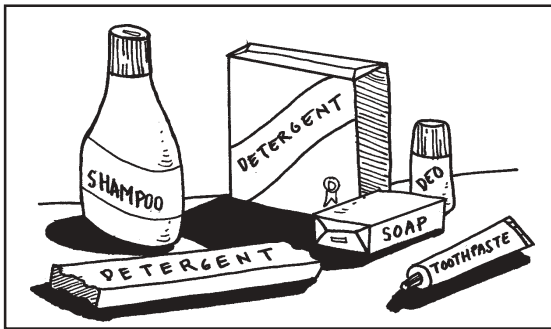
Are you curious about this connection? Do you want to find the answer to all the questions above? Well, just keep reading and you'll find out!



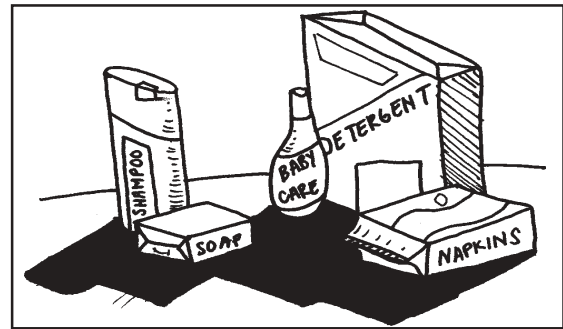
Let's Learn

There are many products, services or programs that are good examples of the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world. When you saw the picture of the shampoo and soap, you might have thought that these were very important products for you. You use these products when you take a bath. There are many kinds of soap and shampoo that you can choose from. Some of these are also sold in many other countries around the world.

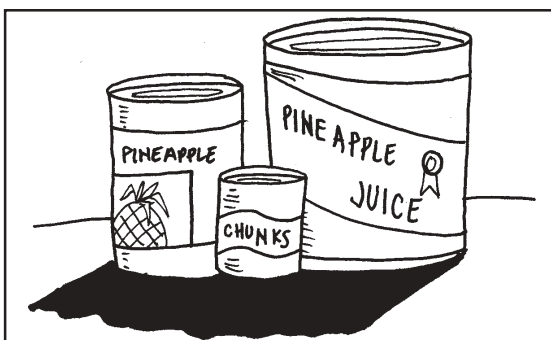
In the Philippines, there are companies owned by foreigners who make the products you sometimes use. Here are some examples of foreign corporations who make products that many Filipinos consume:



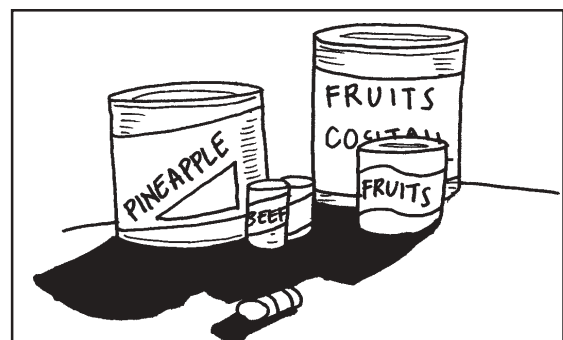
Unilever makes products like shampoos, soaps, detergents, deodorants, and toothpastes.



Procter and Gamble makes products like soaps, shampoos, detergents, baby care products and sanitary napkins.



Dole makes products like canned pineapples and pineapple juices.

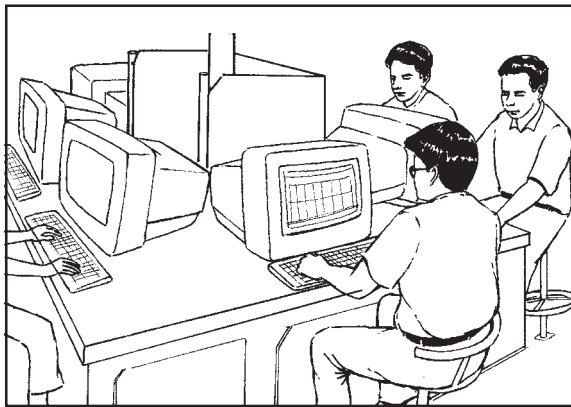


Del Monte also makes canned pineapples as well as other products like fruit cocktails and even corned beef.

All of these companies have offices here in the Philippines. They make products that many Filipinos enjoy. However, they are owned by foreigners.

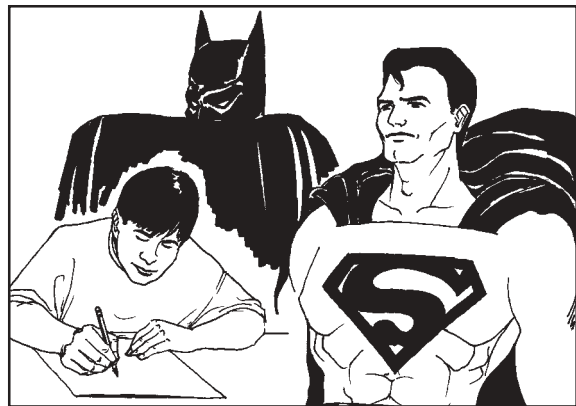
Medicine is another example of this. Many medicines you use when you are sick are manufactured or developed by companies in other parts of the world.

Here are other examples of things that are good examples of links between the Philippines and other countries.

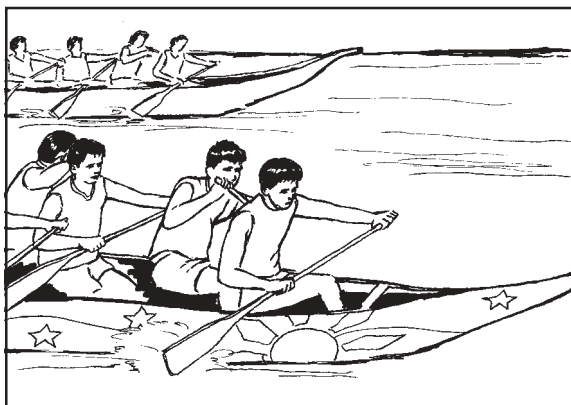


Computers help make our society more advanced. Many computers come to the Philippines from other parts of the world. The Philippines in turn has many computer students who become good computer programmers. These computer programmers often go to other countries to work.

Many television shows we enjoy are produced in other countries like Mexico or the United States. Many cartoons that Filipino children enjoy are produced in Japan. There are many talented Filipino artists. Often, many of them are asked to draw some of the cartoons that we see in the movies or on television.



Many times, Philippine athletes go to other countries to compete in sports events like the Southeast Asian Games or the Olympics. Many other countries also participate in these sporting events.



Sometimes, people from other countries come to the Philippines for a visit. They usually want to go around and see the different tourist attractions around the Philippines. Many Filipinos also go to other countries to see different sights or visit their relatives.



Can you think of other examples? Write your ideas on how the Philippines has links with other countries on the lines below. Discuss your answer with your Instructional Manager, co-learners, friends or family members.

There are many different ways by which the Philippines is connected to the rest of the world. The examples given here are just a few of them. They are things that are familiar to many Filipinos and are a part of their daily lives.



Let's Read

Read the story of Grace below. Try to identify the things that are good examples of links between the Philippines and the rest of the world. These things could be in the form of products, services or even employment.

Grace wakes up every morning to go to work.

Oh! I have to remember to buy shampoo on my way home. I still have some toothpaste left . . . This will last me till next week.

She rides a tricycle to get to the main highway.

Good morning, Grace!

Good Morning, Mang Isko! What's the latest news?

I heard that they will be increasing the prices of gasoline soon. That means we will be raising our fares.

Oh, that isn't good news! I hope the prices of food in the market do not go up.

Grace arrives at the factory where she works. It is located in an area where there are many factories and offices. Many Filipinos work in these factories. Some of them make electronics and others make other products like garments.

Hello, Grace!

Hello, Jeanette! Good morning!

We have to arrange the accommodations for Mr. Fujimoto who is arriving next week from Japan to check how things are at the plant.

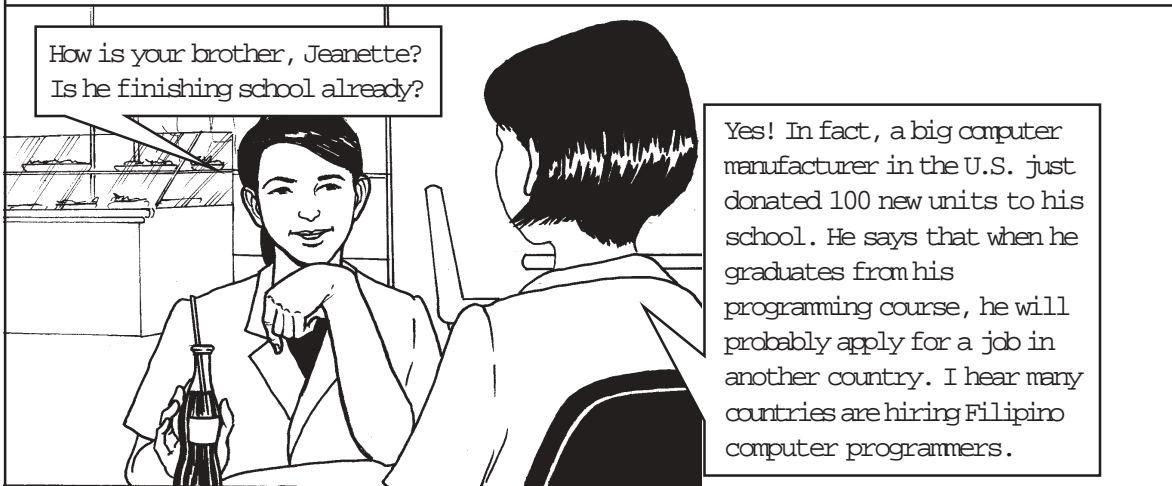
That's right! The company boss will once again come for a visit!

In the afternoon, Grace receives a call from her mother. Her mother is asking her to find out the exchange rate because Grace's brother, Benjie, just sent home some money from Saudi Arabia.

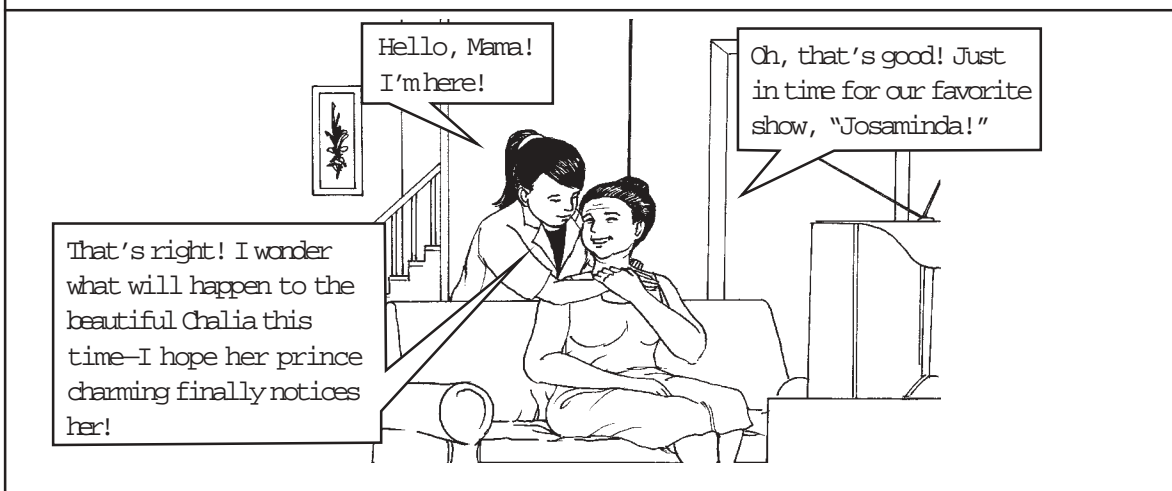
Grace, your Kuya Benjie just sent some dollars from Saudi. How much is that in pesos?

I don't know, Mama. I still have to check the exchange rate. You know it is always changing.

During break time, Grace chats with Jeanette . . .



After a long day at work, Grace arrives home . . .



Let's Try This

Did you enjoy spending a day with Grace? Were you able to identify some things that are good examples of links between the Philippines and the rest of the world? Answer the following questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided below each question.

- A. Name at least five things in Grace's story that are good examples of links between the Philippines and the rest of the world.

B. Which of the products, places or activities mentioned in the story do you think are an important part of Grace's day?

C. Given Grace's daily activities, do you think Grace is experiencing a connection with the other parts of the world? Why/Why not?

Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 45–46.



Let's Think About This

We live each day using certain products or services or doing certain activities without ever thinking that we are experiencing a connection with the other parts of the world. If you have a television, you might be using something that was made by someone in another country. Likewise, when you take part in building or manufacturing things that will be sold in other countries, someone in that country will be using something you made.

There are many areas where the Philippines maintains links with other countries around the world. You might have a relative who works in another country. That relative might send you money once in a while. Someone you know might want to take up computer science or engineering. These are jobs that make use of technology like computers or other electronics which come from other countries.

Whenever we use a product from another country or join an organization that is also present in other parts of the world, we are making a connection between our country and the rest of the world. We benefit from these links by consuming products or services made by foreign companies. We also contribute to these links by offering our ability to work in these companies or making products for sale in other countries. These are just some examples of the many ways we are connected to the rest of the world.

We seldom realize it but our connection to many other parts of the world is much closer than we think it is. In fact, the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world affect so many aspects of our daily lives.



Let's See What You Have Learned

Answer the following questions below. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

- A. Name at least five things (products, services, organizations or activities) that are good examples of links between the Philippines and the other parts of the world.

- B. Do you think your daily life is touched by links between the Philippines and other parts of the world? Why/Why not?

How did you do? Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on page 47.

If you were able to get all the correct answers, very good! That means you understood this lesson very well. If you made some mistakes, don't worry, just review the parts of the lesson that you did not understand.

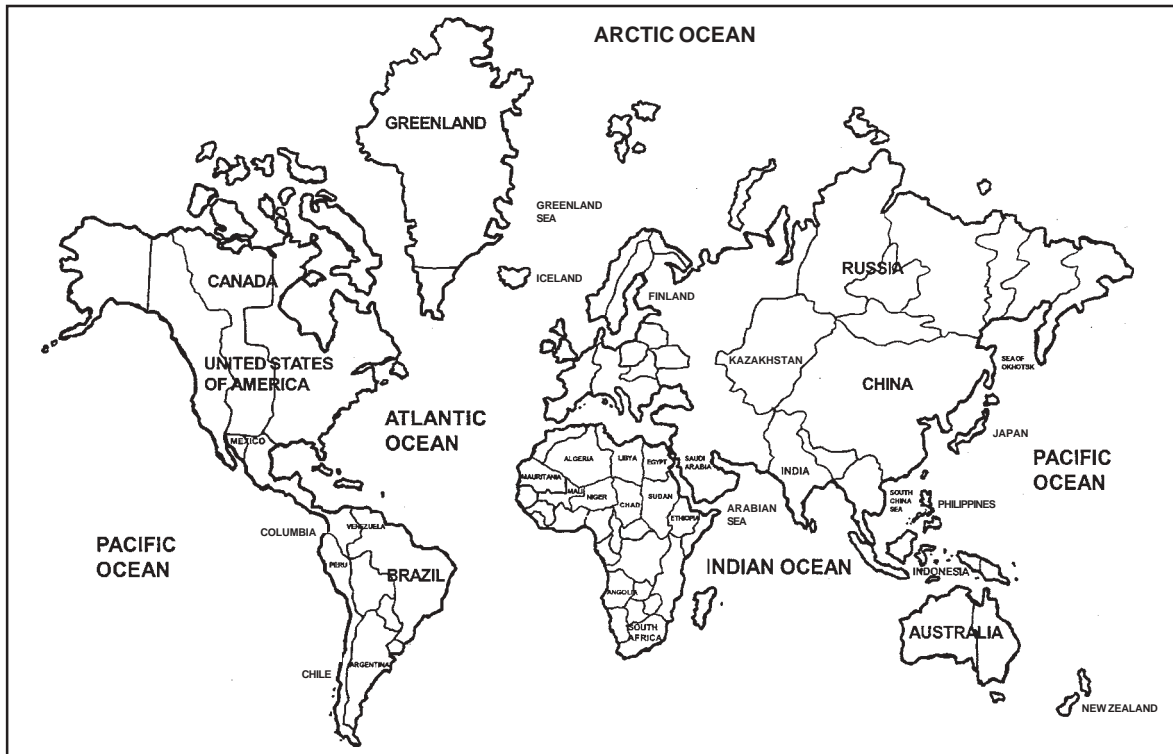


Let's Remember

In this lesson, you learned about some products, services, organizations and activities which are good examples of links between the Philippines and the rest of the world. We might not realize it but our daily lives involve a range of connections between our country and the rest of the world. Many products made by different foreign companies have become important parts of our daily lives. Even our jobs are dependent on the relationships and connections between the Philippines and the rest of the world.

The more you think about it, the more you will realize that our daily lives are very much linked with the lives of other people from other countries. Even our daily activities are connected with the people from different parts of the world.

How Do These Links Affect Me?



You might have heard once or twice about the increasing prices of crude oil or gasoline. You might also have heard about a young Filipino winning a silver medal in boxing during the 1996 Olympic Games. These two news items might seem unrelated but they are not. Each of them shows us that the Philippines is a part of many events which happen in other parts of the world.

In the previous lesson, you learned that the Philippines is connected to different parts of the world. We are linked to the world in many ways, most of them involve things that are very familiar and very important to us. In this lesson you will learn more about the different links between the Philippines and the other parts of the world. You will also learn more about how these links can affect your daily life.

After studying this lesson, you should be able to:

- ◆ identify and describe the major areas which link the Philippines to the world; and
- ◆ explain how these links might have an effect on your daily life and activities.



Let's Try This

You are given some words or phrases whose letters have been scrambled. These words are examples of some of the areas which link the Philippines to the world. You are also given a brief description of each word or phrase. Unscramble the letters to get the correct word or phrase. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

1. NISSESUB NAD TRUSINYD

(This area concerns the different products we receive from and send to other countries. It also includes the different foreign-owned companies who have offices and factories in the Philippines.)

2. PROSST

(This involves the many athletes in the Philippines who go to other countries to participate in certain major events. Examples of these are the Olympics and the Southeast Asian Games.)

3. ETANDUCIO

(This involves the programs that aim to develop your skills and knowledge in terms of science, math, social science, etc. One example of this is the NFE A&E Program.)

4. CHENYGLOOT

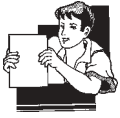
(This area includes such equipment as computers, machines, appliances and other electronics that make many tasks easier for us. It also includes jobs and skills like computer programming and medical science.)

5. TOPYNLEMME

(This area includes the different kinds of jobs that are available around the world. Many Filipinos have gone to other countries in order to work.)

Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on page 47.

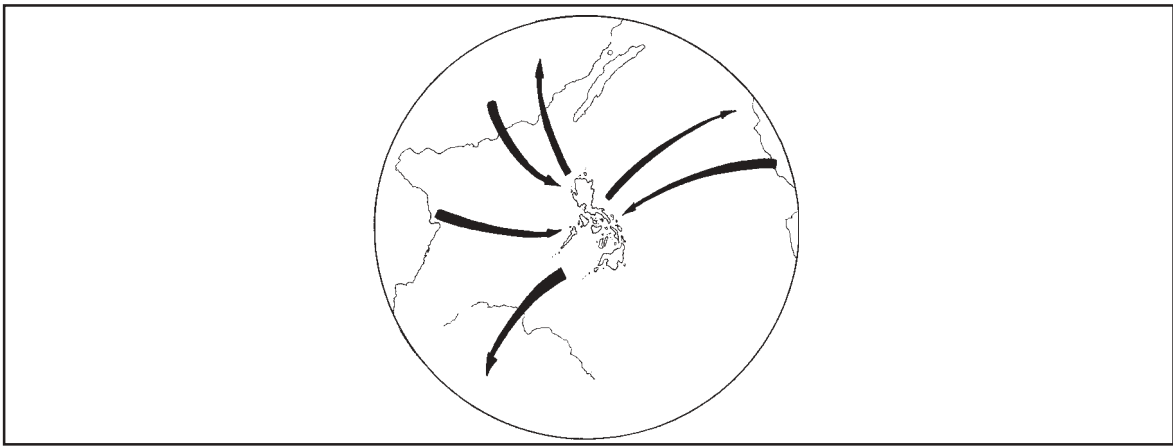
The words or phrases you just unscrambled are the different areas that links the Philippines to the world. You will learn more about them in the next activity.



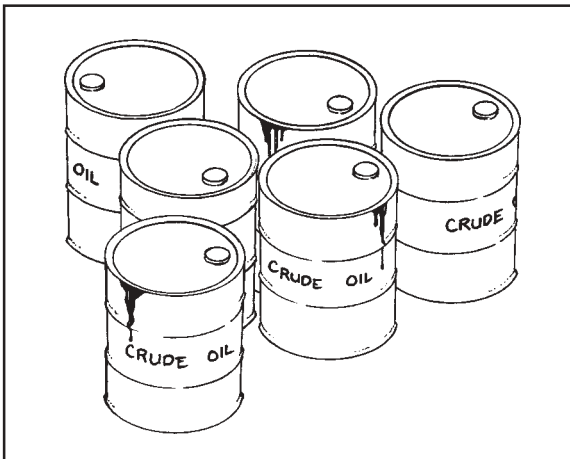
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In the first lesson, you learned that many things in your everyday life are good examples of links between the Philippines and the world. Let us look more closely at each of these links.

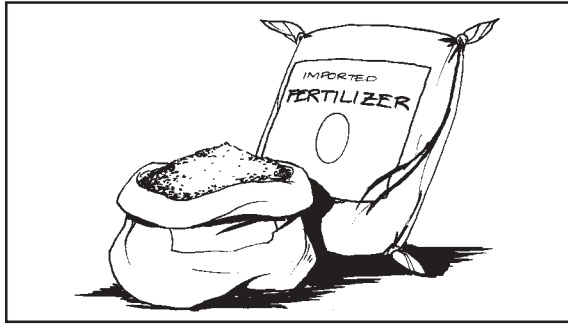
The Philippines is connected to the rest of the world in terms of **business and industry**.



The Philippines exchanges goods and services with other countries. The goods that are made in other countries and sent to the Philippines are called **imports**. The goods that are made in the Philippines and sent to other countries are called **exports**. This exchange of goods is called **trade**. Some examples of goods that are imported from other countries are the following:

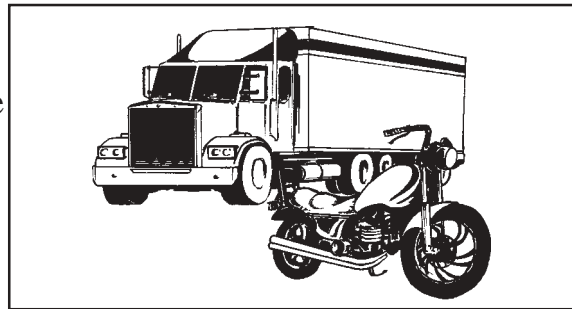


The Philippines imports most of its oil from other countries. As you may already know, oil is necessary to make gasoline which is used by tricycles, jeepneys and trucks.



Some of the fertilizers used by farmers come from other countries.

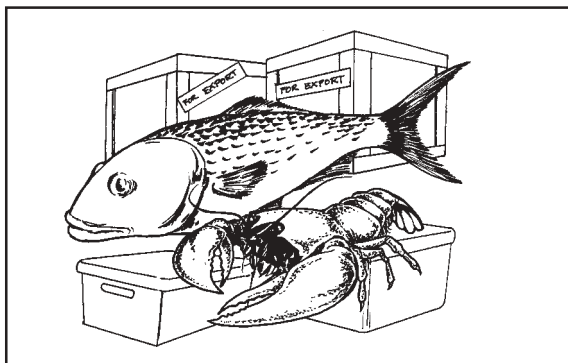
The motorcycles and trucks that we see on the highway are all manufactured in other countries.



There are many kinds of rice for sale in the Philippines that are grown in other countries. If a country cannot produce enough rice to feed its people, then it has to buy rice from other countries.

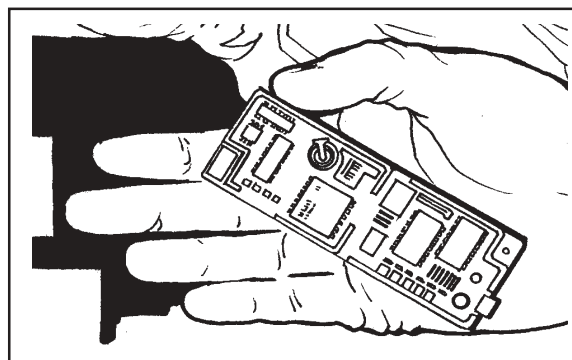


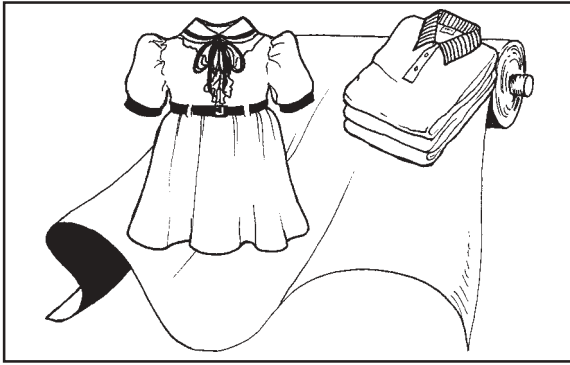
Here are some products that are manufactured in the Philippines and sent to other countries.



The Philippines exports a lot of fish and prawns.

There are many factories in the Philippines that assemble electronics. These electronics are then sent to other countries.





Garments are one of the major exports of the Philippines to other parts of the world. However, some of the raw materials used for these garments are imported from other countries.

You can find a list of the products that are imported and exported in the *Appendix* of this module on pages 52–54.



Let's Try This

Can you think of any other product that we import or export? Write your answer in the space provided below.

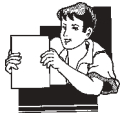
Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on page 47.



Let's Think About This

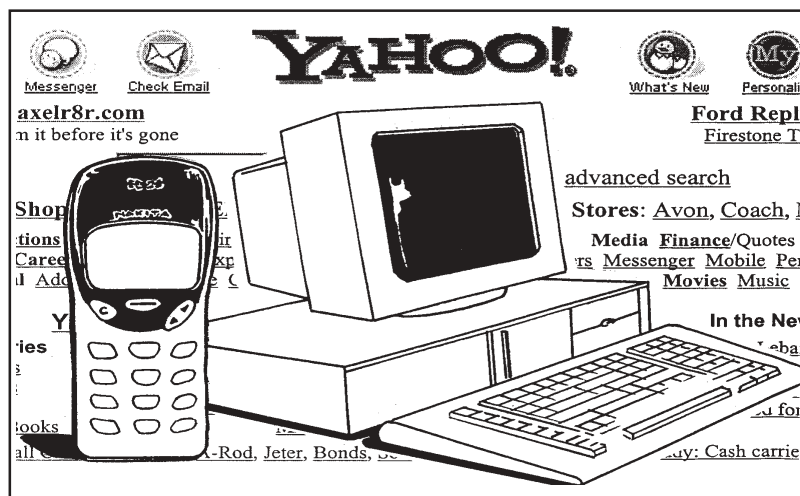
Apart from exporting and importing goods and services to and from other countries, there are other ways that business and industry provide links between the Philippines and other countries. Do you have any idea on what these links might be? Write down examples of other overseas links related to business and industry in the space provided on the next page. Discuss your answer with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator, co-learners, family and friends.

In many cases, businesses from other countries come to the Philippines to set up offices or factories. Because of this, they provide jobs to many Filipinos. The Philippine government tries to encourage foreign investors to put up businesses in the Philippines so that there can be more jobs. In order to do this, the government sometimes creates **export processing zones**, where foreign companies can set up factories to make their products. The Subic Bay Free Port in Zambales and Clark Field in Pampanga are other examples of places where many foreign companies have set up factories or offices. These factories and offices have provided many jobs to the people living in these areas.



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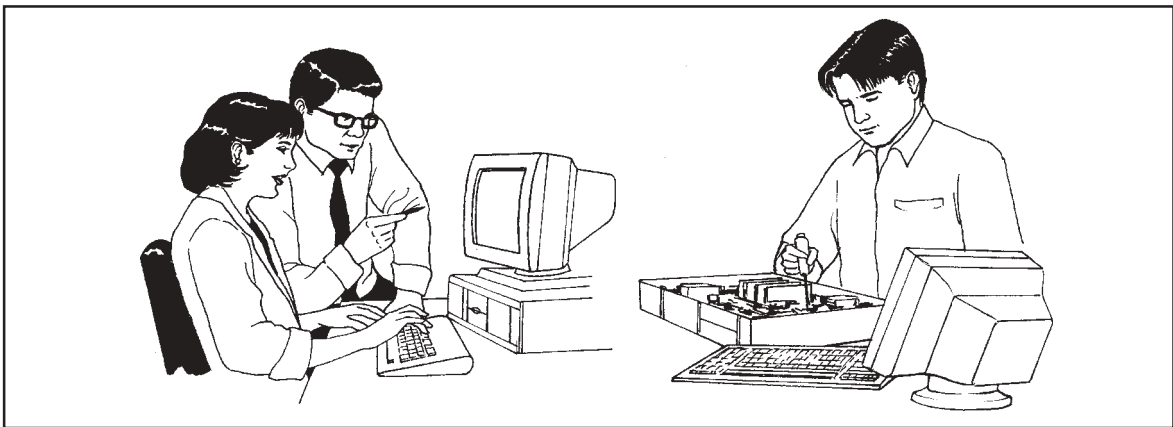
Technology is another area which connects the Philippines to the world. Much of the technology that we see around us is the result of the connections we have with other countries. Computers, factory machinery, automated teller machines, household appliances and cellular phones have all been made available to us because of the link between the Philippines and other countries which invented and manufacture these technologies. You can say that the countries that have advanced technology share much of it with other countries like the Philippines.



Can you think of more examples of technologies used in the Philippines which were developed in other countries? Write down five technologies that are important in your daily life.

Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on page 48.

The Philippines does not only receive technologies. There are many Filipinos who study computer programming. When they finish their studies, they have opportunities to go to other countries to find work.

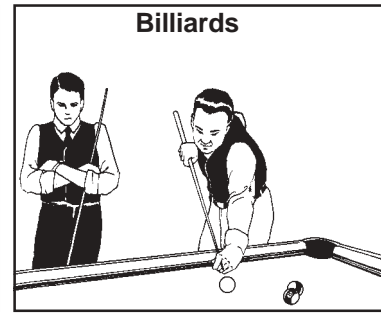
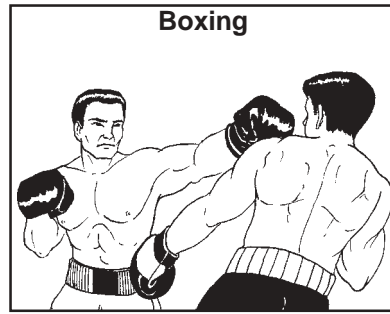
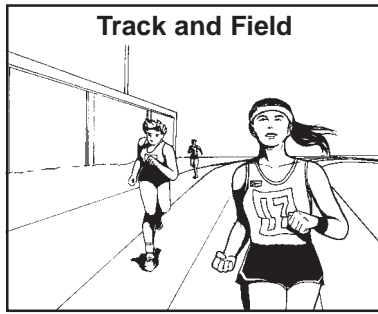


The Philippines is also linked with the rest of the world through the following:

Sports

Many Filipino athletes train for sporting events in other countries. There are also times when the Philippines is the host of sporting events in which many athletes from other countries come to participate. Here are some examples of sports that link Filipino athletes with those from other countries. Many Filipinos are also fans of sports from other countries shown on television such as basketball, football and golf.

The pictures on the next page are some examples of sports that link the Philippines and other countries.



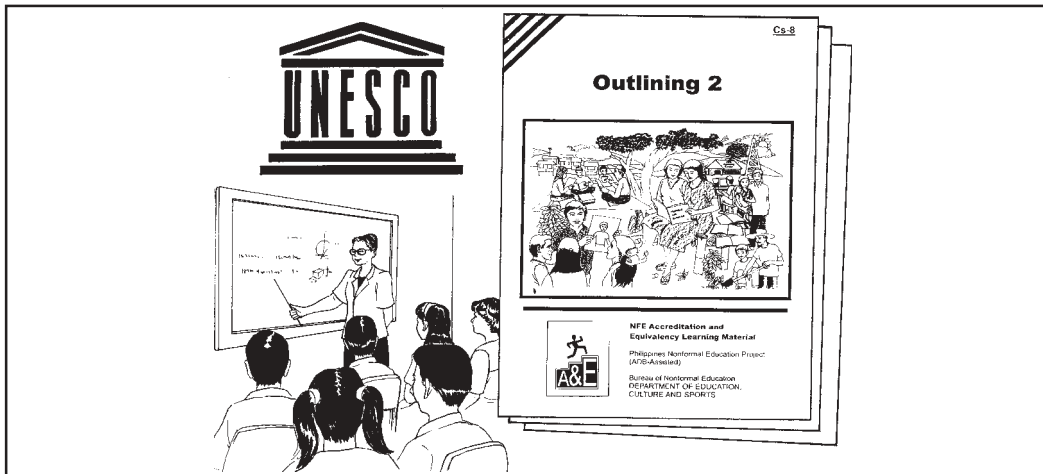
Can you think of other examples of sports links between the Philippines and other countries. Write your answers in the spaces provided below and discuss your answer with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator, co-learners, family members or friends.

Education

Some Filipinos are fortunate enough to study in colleges and universities abroad. Students from other countries also study in colleges and universities in the Philippines.

The Philippines maintains links with an international educational organization called UNESCO or the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. UNESCO has a commitment to provide education to everyone in the world. The Philippines works closely with this organization and other countries involved in achieving this goal.

Did you know that the NFE A&E Program won an international prize from UNESCO? Now, the governments in other countries are interested in learning more about the NFE A&E Program so they can implement something similar for their own people.



Do you know anybody who is studying or has studied abroad? What do you think are the advantages and disadvantages of studying in another country? Write your answer in the space provided below and discuss it with your Instructional Manager, co-learners, friends and family members.

Military

Have you heard about the Visiting Forces Agreement or VFA? Do you remember that Subic Bay in Zambales, Clark Field in Pampanga and Camp John Hay in Baguio were once operated by U.S. military? The Philippines maintains links with the armed forces of different countries. The Philippines also participates in the United Nations Peacekeeping Forces, which is a group of soldiers from different countries formed to maintain peace and security in different parts of the world.



Currency

Have you ever had a relative who sent you money from another country? If so, then you must have experienced exchanging that currency for pesos at a bank or money changer. What happened when you tried to have your money changed? Each country in the world has its own form of currency. The currency of one country has a certain value in another country and this value changes often. That's why when you exchange currency like dollars for pesos, the rate is always changing.



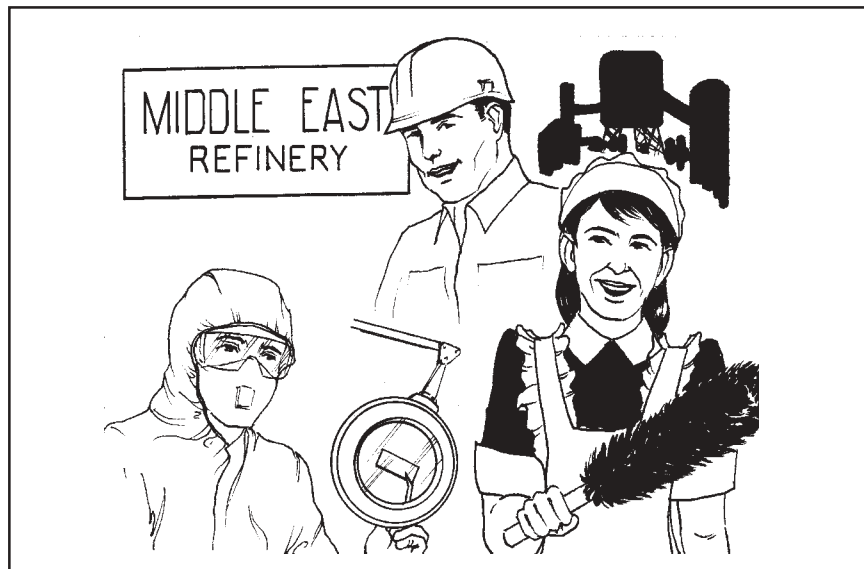
Media

Television, movies, newspapers and radio are all types of media. What are some examples of links between Filipino media and that of other countries? Write your ideas in the space provided below.

You often see news stories about people from other countries on television. You might also read about them in the newspapers. Even the evening television dramas that many Filipinos enjoy are all produced in other countries like Mexico and the United States. Many television stations in the Philippines buy these programs from other countries so they can broadcast them to their Filipino audience. Some Philippine television companies have also begun to broadcast some of their news and other programs in other countries for the OFWs and other Filipinos living there. Filipino communities in other countries have also established their own local newspapers that cover Filipino news for OFWs and other Filipino migrants.

Employment

Do you know someone who works in another country? Why do you think many Filipinos choose to become OFWs? What are the benefits of employment links between the Philippines and other countries? Many Filipinos go to other countries because there are more job opportunities there. These overseas jobs provide opportunities for increased income for qualified Filipino workers. The training one receives or skills one has can help determine the opportunities available to her or him in another country. There are also many foreigners who work in the Philippines. Sometimes, the presidents of some foreign corporations move to the Philippines to run their businesses.



What do you think are some effects of such employment links on the Philippines?

Discuss your answers with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator, co-learners, family members and friends.

Tourism

Have you ever visited a place away from your hometown for a vacation? If so, then you have been a tourist. Have you ever seen or met people visiting the Philippines from other countries? What countries were they from? Many people from other countries like visiting other places. Sometimes, you might meet some tourists who are on vacation here in the Philippines. They come to the Philippines to see the beaches or go around the country and see the different sights. There are also many Filipinos who go to other countries to see different places. If you were ever given the chance to go and visit other countries, what countries would you visit? Why? Write your answer in the space provided below.

Discuss your answer with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator, co-learners, family members or friends.



On the next page is a summary of the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world.



Let's Remember

Here are some of the links between the Philippines and the world:

- ◆ Technology
- ◆ Sports
- ◆ Military
- ◆ Education
- ◆ Employment
- ◆ Media
- ◆ Tourism
- ◆ Currency
- ◆ Business and industry

These are just some of the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world. If you really think about it, you will realize that you interact with these links in your daily life. Many of the things that you use or enjoy all connect you, in one way or another, to the rest of the world. This means that there are many people just like you all over the world who enjoy the same products and services that you do. In fact, you might be surprised to find out that you have a lot in common with other people all over the world.



Let's Try This

Name the different areas which connect the Philippines to the rest of the world. For each area, write down at least one example of a link between the Philippines and the rest of the world. Write your answers in the box below.

Area	Example

Were you able to remember all of the areas mentioned in this lesson? Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 48–49.



Let's Think About This

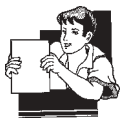
How do the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world affect your daily life? Try to think how each of the following situations can affect you. Discuss your answers with a family member, friend or your Instructional Manager.

- A. You heard that the international price of crude oil has gone up. What do you think will be the effect of this on your daily life?

- B. You just heard that the government is designating an area near your community as an export processing zone or a place where foreign-owned companies can set up factories. How do you think this will affect your daily life?

- C. You just found out that they are building a new school near your community. Your barangay captain informed you that this is part of a government project that was approved in an international education convention. How do you think this will affect your daily life?

Were you able to discuss your answers with a family member, friend or your Instructional Manager? Did it become clear to you how each of these situations can affect your daily life? Read on to find out.

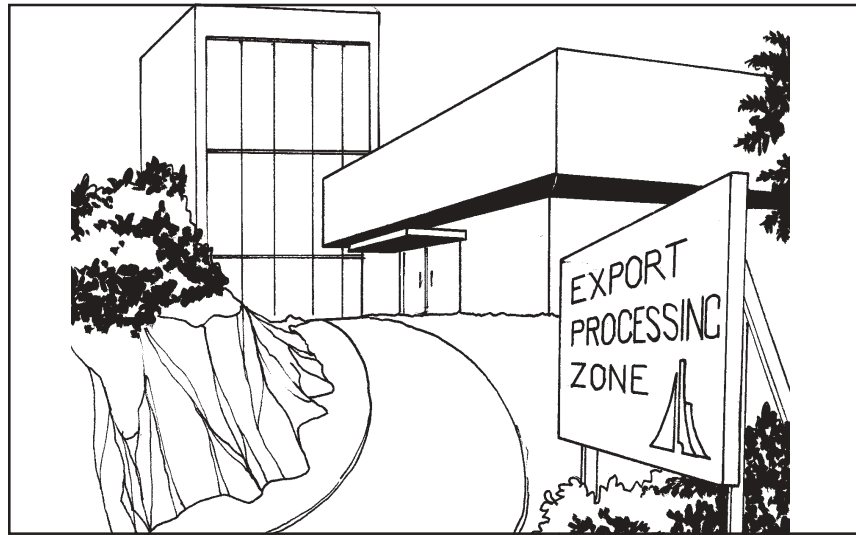


Let's Learn

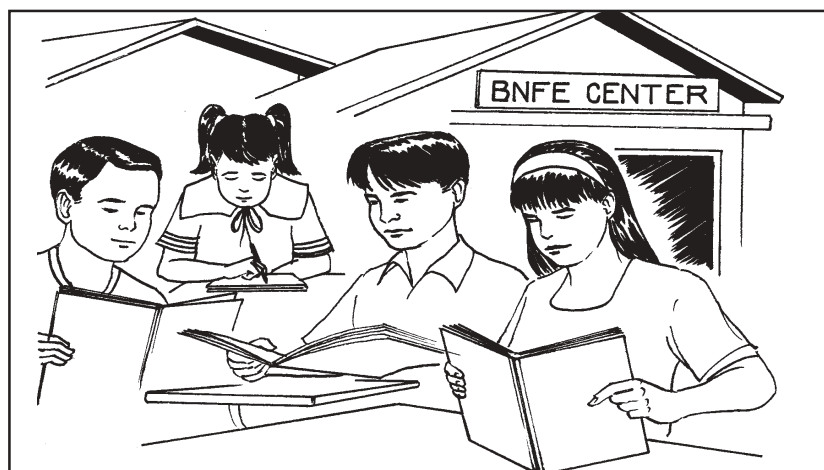
We don't usually see the connection but the links between the Philippines and the world can affect our daily lives. For example, the Philippines imports oil from other countries. When the price of oil goes up or down or when the exchange rate changes, then so does the price of oil. That means the prices of gasoline will also change. If the price of oil goes up, the price of gasoline will also go up. If the price of gasoline goes up, then the prices of many goods will also increase. The amount you will pay for a jeepney or tricycle ride will also increase.

Here are other situations where the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world will affect your daily life:

- ◆ If the government attracts foreign companies to set up factories or offices near your community, there will be more jobs available.



- ◆ Because of the involvement of the Philippines in such organizations as UNESCO, there is more cooperation between countries with regard to bringing educational programs to the people. The Philippines and other countries try to work together to bring educational programs to their citizens. This means there will be more opportunities for you to go to school or to learn. This will increase your knowledge and skills and give you more opportunities for employment.





Let's Try This

Let's look at other links between the Philippines and how they affect your daily life. Try to think about how each of the following situations will affect you. You can discuss your ideas with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator, co-learners, family members or friends.

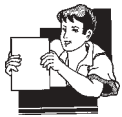
1. You go to the city hall in your area and you find that they are installing new computers. Your friend who works there tells you that they are implementing a computerization program in the city hall. How will this affect your daily life?

2. Your family enjoys watching a drama show on television which features foreign actors and actresses. You enjoy the show so much that you become sad when the show finally ends. Three months later, you see a commercial for a new foreign drama show on another channel. How will this affect your daily life?

3. A relative of yours regularly sends you money from Japan. One day, while you are walking past a money changer, you notice that the exchange rate for the dollar and the yen are higher this week than last week. How will this affect your daily life?

4. You hear a group of farmers in your area talking about their low crop yield this year. The next day, a friend of yours from the National Food Authority tells you that they are estimating that they will need to import tons of rice from Thailand this year. How will this affect your daily life?

Were you able to discuss your answers with a family member, friend or your Instructional Manager or Facilitator? Did it become clear to you how each of these situations can affect your daily life? Read on to find out.



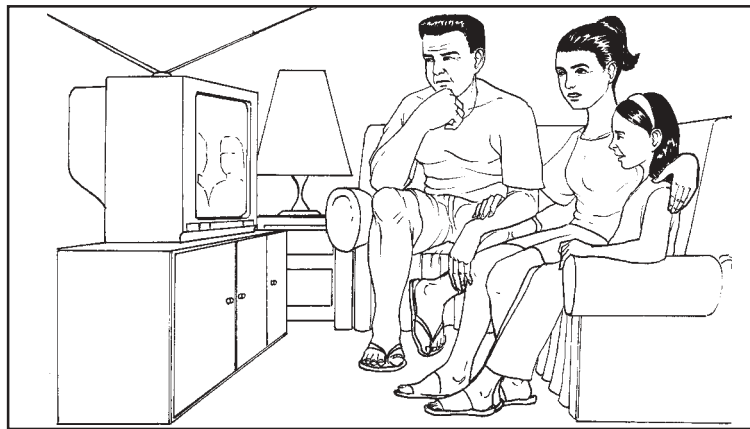
Let's Learn

Here are more examples of how the links between the Philippines and other countries affect our daily life:

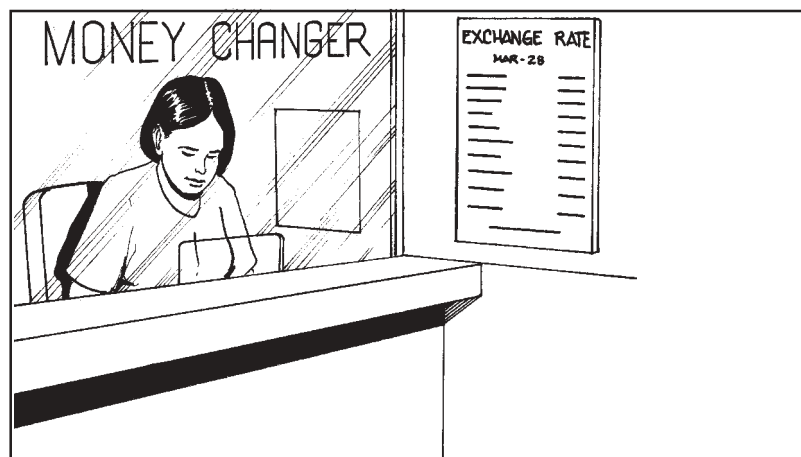
- ◆ Technology is an important link between the Philippines and the rest of the world. For example, the technology that has been shared with the Philippines by other countries has brought us conveniences like telephones, which we use to communicate with other people. Other forms of technology like the Internet is helping many Filipino businesses grow. Other forms of technology like the computer make work more efficient. This has speeded up applications in many government offices so you don't have to wait that long anymore for what you need.



- ◆ Television networks in the Philippines have many links to other stations around the world. They usually buy programs like drama or comedy shows from other countries and show them to the Philippine audience. When many people enjoy watching a foreign show, other television stations will also try to get similar shows from other countries. They also get news clips from other countries which they insert in the news programs they broadcast. Because of this, you have a wider choice of programs to choose from. This means that when you want to be entertained, you will have more choices.



- ◆ When someone sends you money from another country, the amount you can get for the money sent you in pesos will change from day to day. Trade between the Philippines and the rest of the world help determine how much in pesos you can get from the money you were sent.



- ◆ If the Philippines cannot grow enough rice, it must buy from other countries that produced more than enough rice. This means you will find more rice from other countries being sold in markets or supermarkets.



As you can see, links between the Philippines and the rest of the world affect your daily life. These links can determine the prices of the food you buy or the kinds of jobs that are available in your community. They also determine the kinds of television shows that you can enjoy watching. These links also affect many people like you all over the world in the same way. The more you think about it, the more it becomes clear that we live in one world and we are all connected to each other. Many people around the world enjoy many of the things that you also enjoy. Indeed, we are connected to the world in many ways.

Let's See What You Have Learned

Did you enjoy studying this lesson? Why don't you test yourself to see how much you learned. Answer the following questions.

- A. Identify at least five areas which link the Philippines to the rest of the world. Give an example for each area based on your daily life. Write your answers in the spaces provided below.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

B. Describe how each of the following links between the Philippines and the rest of the world has affected your daily life. Write your answers in the spaces provided below.

1. How has technology developed in other countries affected your daily life?

2. How can the price of crude oil in the world market affect your daily life?

3. How can the constantly changing exchange rate affect your daily life?

How did you do? Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 49–50.

If you were able to get all the correct answers, very good! This means you understood this topic very well.

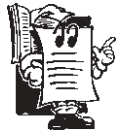
If you made some mistakes, don't worry. Just review the parts of the lesson that you did not understand.



Let's Remember

In this lesson, you learned more about the different links between the Philippines and the rest of the world. You learned more about the different areas in which the Philippines is connected to other countries around the world. You also learned that these links can affect your daily life. The price of oil is one good example of this. The fact is, these links have the same impact on many people from different countries. This means that you have a lot in common with many people around the world. Many of them enjoy the same

television programs you or do have similar educational programs in their community. Indeed, the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world only means that you are connected to many others like you around the world.



Let's Sum Up

In this module, you learned about the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world. You learned that the Philippines is connected to the rest of the world through business and industry, technology, education, media and sports. These are only some examples of the many areas in which the Philippines is connected to other countries. You learned that there are many products that you use in your daily life that are good examples of these links. You also learned that these links can affect your daily life in terms of the goods you buy or the jobs and educational opportunities available to you in your community.

After studying this module, you might have a better idea on how much you are connected to other people around the world. You might be involved in making products that people in other countries will use. You might also use products that were produced in other countries. The most important thing to remember is that there may be many different kinds of people in the world but if you really think about it, no matter where you live or who you are, there is a connection between you and the rest of the world.



What Have You Learned?

How much have you learned from this module? Answer the test below to find out.

- A. Look at the list of products below. Put a check mark (✓) before the product that links the Philippines with the rest of the world.

- 1. Gasoline
- 2. Banana leaves
- 3. Soap and shampoo
- 4. Fertilizer

_____ 5. Barong Tagalog

_____ 6. Lechon

_____ 7. Garments

_____ 8. Fish and prawns

B. Identify at least five different areas in which the Philippines is linked to the rest of the world. Give a short description of each. Write your answers in the spaces provided below.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

- C. A close friend of yours asks you if there was any connection between the oil produced in other countries and the price of his favorite fish at the market. How would you explain to him that this link has an effect on his daily life? Write your answer in the space provided below.

- D. You now know that the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world can affect your daily life. Of the links mentioned in this module, which links have the biggest impact on your daily life? Choose at least three areas that you feel have the biggest effect on your daily life.

How did you do? Compare your answers with those in the *Answer Key* on pages 50–51.

If you got all the correct answers, that's very good! This means you learned a lot about this topic. You now know more about the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world. You may have also realized at this point that you are connected with the many people around the world in many ways.

If you made some mistakes, don't worry. Just review the parts of the module that you did not understand.

You are now finished with this module. You can now go on to the next BNFE A&E module that you are interested in. Congratulations! You have been an excellent student!



Answer Key

A. Let's See What You Already Know *(pages 2–4)*

- A. 4 1. Fertilizer
- 4 2. Cellular phones
- 4 3. Coconut oil
- 4 4. Tricycles
- 4 5. Electronics
- 4 6. Garments
- 4 7. Fish and prawns
- 4 8. Iron and steel
- 4 9. Bananas
- 4 10. Sugar

All the products listed above are good examples of the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world.

B. Here are some examples for each of the five areas mentioned:

Business and industry:

- ◆ Products like toothpaste or shampoo which you use everyday
- ◆ Crude oil which is made into gasoline
- ◆ Fish and prawns which are sent to other countries

Sports:

- ◆ Billiards
- ◆ Track and Field
- ◆ Basketball
- ◆ Boxing

Work or employment:

- ◆ Filipinos who work in other countries
- ◆ Foreign companies who set up factories in the Philippines and employ Filipinos

Media:

- ◆ Foreign television dramas that are shown in the Philippines
- ◆ News programs and other shows that are shown in other countries for the Filipino communities there

Education:

- ◆ Filipinos who go to other countries to study
- ◆ The Philippine government participating in international educational organizations like UNESCO

You could have thought of other examples for each area not listed here. Discuss your answers with your Instructional Manager for additional feedback.

C. Here are some possible effects that the links between the Philippines and the world can have on your daily life:

1. If the farmers in the Philippines cannot grow enough rice, the Philippine government and the private sector will usually buy rice from other countries and sell it in the Philippines. This means that when you buy rice, you might see many kinds of rice from other countries being sold.
2. There are many television shows that you enjoy. Some of these shows might be produced in other countries. Television stations in the Philippines often buy shows from other countries so they can show them here. Because there are connections between the Philippines and other countries in terms of media, we are able to watch many different kinds of shows. We are also able to learn what's going on in the different parts of the world through the news from other countries.

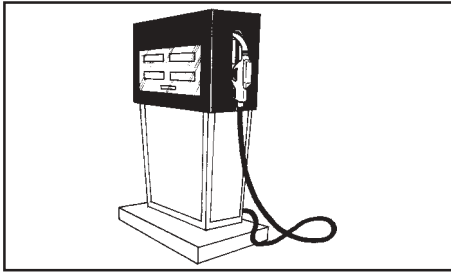
3. The Philippines is connected to the rest of the world in terms of education. The Philippine government participates in the programs of UNESCO. The Philippines works with many other countries in providing educational programs to many people including you.
4. Many times, foreign-owned companies will set up offices or factories here in the Philippines. If a company builds an office or a factory near your community, there will be more jobs available for the people in your community. Sometimes, the government will create special places for factories or offices. If many companies are attracted to these areas, then this means more jobs for the people in your community.
5. The Philippines imports oil from other parts of the world. Oil is very important in transportation or in generating electricity. When the price of oil goes up, the price of gasoline also goes up. This means that jeepney or tricycle fares will become more expensive. The prices of many other goods will also increase.
6. The value of money from another country depends on the links between that country and the rest of the world. When someone sends you money from another country, you usually exchange it for pesos. For example, the amount of pesos you can get for 50 US dollars will change from day to day. The changes are the result of the Philippine links with the rest of the world.

B. Lesson 1

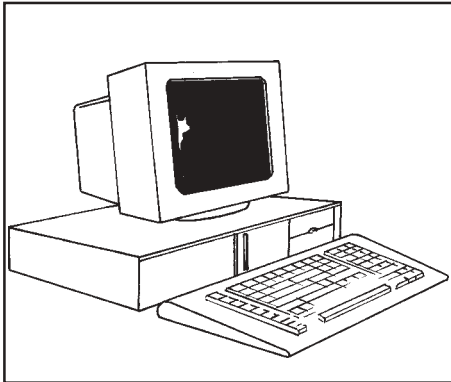
Let's Try This (pages 6–7)



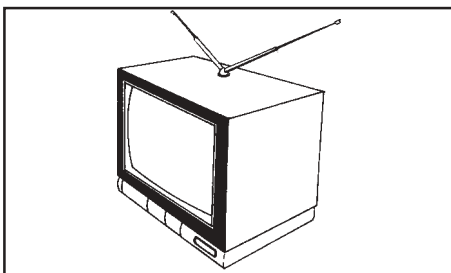
Shampoo and soap are probably important to you because you use them every day when you take a bath.



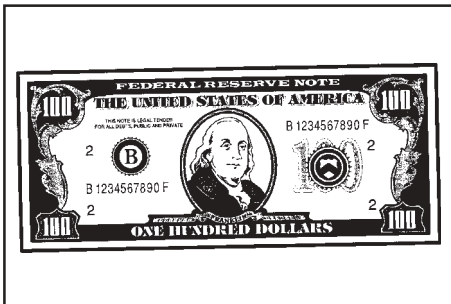
This is a gas pump. Gasoline is very important to you because it is used to make cars and trucks run. Whenever you ride a tricycle or jeepney, you are using something that runs on gasoline.



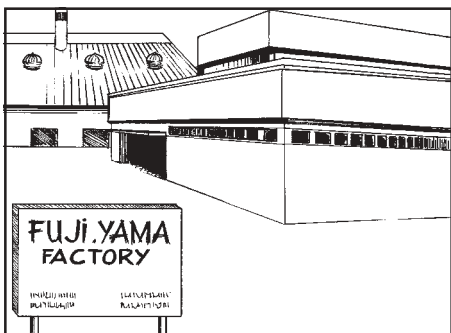
This is a computer. You may or may not use this in your daily life. Computers are important, however, because they help speed up certain tasks. If you deal with a bank or government agency, you might notice that the people who work there use computers. This helps reduce the time you wait to be served.



This is a television. You probably enjoy watching television programs during the day or before you sleep. The television brings us entertainment in the form of television shows that make us laugh or cry.



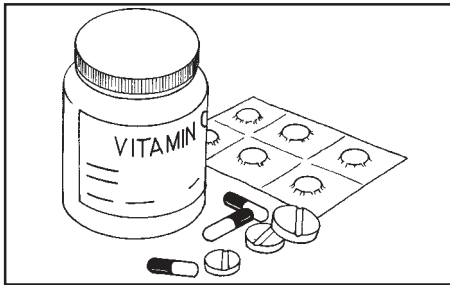
This is currency from another country. If you have a family member or relative who works in another country, she or he might send money to you once in a while. This is important because you can buy the things you need with this money.



This is a factory that is owned by foreigners. You might have something like this located near your community. This place can provide jobs to many people. This might be very important to you if you work in a place like this.



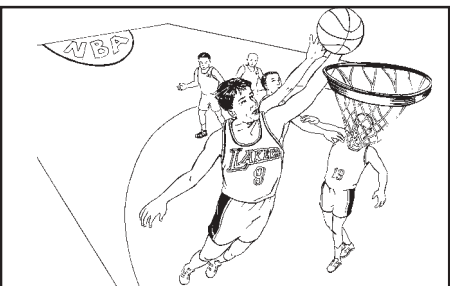
These are tourists. You may or may not have seen or met someone from another country who is visiting the Philippines. Many times, you can become friends with people from other countries. Tourists also help a community because they spend money for the goods and services like food, accommodations, souvenirs, etc. being offered in that community.



These are medicines. When you are sick, you usually drink medicine, so it is very important to your daily life. Many medicines come from other places, so they can be very expensive.



This is a Filipino who works overseas. You might know someone who works in another country. Many times, he or she will go there because there are better opportunities for work in that country.



This is a picture of an NBA match. Many Filipinos like watching basketball games on television. There are also many Filipino basketball players who compete in events in other countries.

Let's Try This (pages 13–14)

- A. Here is a list of things in Grace's story that are good examples of links between the Philippines and the rest of the world. You could have chosen five of the following:

Toothpaste

Shampoo

The price of gasoline

The factory where Grace works

The money sent by Benjie from Saudi Arabia

The computers donated to the school of Jeanette's brother

The programming course Jeanette's brother is finishing

The television show "Josaminda"

- B. Shampoo and toothpaste are important to Grace because she uses these things when she bathes and brushes her teeth.

The tricycle fare is important to Grace because she rides a tricycle every day on her way to work. She is also very concerned about the gasoline prices because they can affect the price of food sold in the market.

The foreign-owned factory where Grace works is very important because that is where Grace earns money from. Fixing the arrangements for the visit of their Japanese boss is also important to her because she wants to do very well in her job.

The money that Benjie sends from Saudi is important to Grace because it helps them with their expenses. With the money sent by Benjie, they can buy the things they need.

The television show, "Josaminda," is important to Grace because it provides her with entertainment and a form of relaxation after a long day at work.

- C. Yes, Grace is participating in the connection between the Philippines and the rest of the world. Grace might use toothpaste or shampoo that are manufactured by a foreign-owned company. She rides a tricycle that runs on gasoline imported from other countries. Her work and form of relaxation also connect her to the world.

Let's See What You Have Learned (page 15)

- A. Here are a list of things that are very good examples of the links between the Philippines and the rest of the world. You might have answered any of the following:

Fertilizers	Cellular phones
Toothpastes	Shampoo
Textile yarns	Coconut oil
Gasoline	Bananas
Fish and prawns	Electronics
Garments	Dollars or currency
Export processing zones	Television shows
Tourism	Sports

- B. You may not notice it but you are linked to the rest of the world through your daily activities. Many of the products you use are either manufactured by foreign-owned companies or are manufactured with raw materials imported from other countries. Even just by riding a jeepney or tricycle, we are connecting with the rest of the world.

C. Lesson 2

Let's Try This (page 18)

1. Business and industry
2. Sports
3. Education
4. Technology
5. Employment

Let's Try This (page 21)

For a full list of the different products that the Philippines imports and exports, see the *Appendix* on pages 52–54. The tables in it list all the products that are sent from the Philippines to other countries as well as the products that are sent from other countries to the Philippines.

Let's Learn (page 22)

Here are some examples of technologies developed in other countries which might be important in your daily life:

Washing machines	Gas stoves
Televisions	Refrigerators
Radios	Traffic lights
Computers	Telephones

You might have thought of other examples of these technologies. You can discuss your answers with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator, co-learners, family members and friends.

Let's Try This (page 30)

AREA	EXAMPLE
Business and industry	Shampoo and toothpaste
Technology	Computers
Sports	Boxing, billiards
Education	NFE A&E Program
Media	Foreign drama shows
Health and medicine	Drugs that are manufactured in other countries
Military	Participation of the Philippine Armed Forces in UN peacekeeping missions
Currency	U.S. dollars sent by someone working in another country
Employment	Foreign-owned factories which employ Filipinos
Tourism	Foreigners who come to the Philippines for a vacation

You might have thought of other examples for each area which were not mentioned here. You can discuss your answers with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator, your co-learners, family members and friends.

Let's See What You Have Learned (pages 36–37)

A. Here is a list of areas in which the Philippines is connected to the rest of the world. You could have answered any one of the following:

Business and Industry	Technology
Sports	Education
Media	Health and medicine
Military	Currency
Employment	Tourism

You might have thought of other areas which were not mentioned here. You can discuss your answers with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator for additional feedback.

- B. 1. Technology has brought us many conveniences. It has given us such things as telephones, which we use to communicate with others. Other forms of technology like computers help speed up work and certain tasks thereby saving you time. If you deal with a bank or a government office, the use of technology can help shorten the time it takes for you to get what you need from the said agency.
2. You know that the Philippines imports oil from other countries. When the price of oil goes up or down or when the exchange rate changes, then so does the price of oil. This means the price of gasoline will also change. If the price of oil goes up, the prices of gasoline will also go up. If the prices of gasoline go up, then the prices of many goods will also go up. The amount you will pay for a jeepney or tricycle ride will also increase.

3. Because of the involvement of the Philippines in such organizations as UNESCO, there is more cooperation between countries with regard to bringing educational programs to people. The Philippines and other countries try to work together to bring educational programs to their citizens. This means there will be more opportunities for you to go to school or to learn. This will increase your knowledge and skills and give you more opportunities for employment.

D. What Have You Learned? *(pages 38–40)*

- A. You should have checked the following items:

- 4 1. Gasoline
- 2. Banana leaves
- 4 3. Soap and shampoo
- 4 4. Fertilizers
- 5. Barong Tagalog
- 6. Lechon
- 4 7. Garments
- 4 8. Fish and prawns

- B. Here is a list of areas in which the Philippines is connected to the rest of the world. You might have answered any of the following:

Technology: Much of the technology that we see all around us is the result of the connections we have with other countries. Computers, automated teller machines and cellular phones have all been made available to us because of the links between the Philippines and other countries which invented and manufactured this technology.

Sports: Many Filipino athletes train for sporting events in other countries. There are also times when the Philippines hosts sporting events in which many athletes from other countries come to participate.

Education: The Philippines maintains links with an organization called UNESCO. The Philippines works closely with this organization and other countries involved in it to provide education to everyone.

Media: Many television stations in the Philippines buy television programs from other countries so that they can broadcast them to the Philippine audience.

Military: The Philippines maintains links with the armed forces of different countries. Filipino soldiers go to other countries for training or they conduct exercises with soldiers from other countries.

Currency: Each country in the world has its own form of currency. The currency of one country has a certain value in another country and this value often changes. This is why when you exchange currency like dollars for pesos, the rate constantly changes.

Employment: Many Filipinos go to other countries because there are more job opportunities there. There are also many foreigners who work in the Philippines. Sometimes, the presidents of some foreign corporations move to the Philippines to run their businesses.

Tourism: Many people from other countries like visiting other places. Sometimes, you might meet some tourists who are on vacation here in the Philippines. There are also many Filipinos who go to other countries to see different places.

Business and Industry: The Philippines trades goods and services with other countries. The Philippine government also tries to encourage foreign investors to put up businesses in the Philippines so that there will be more jobs for Filipinos.

- C. You could explain to your friend that when the price of oil goes up or down or when the exchange rate changes, then so does the price of oil. This means that the price of gasoline will also change. If the price of oil goes up, the price of gasoline will also go up. If the price of gasoline goes up, then the prices of many goods your friend buys will also go up. The amount your friend will pay for a jeepney or tricycle ride will also increase.
- D. You might have mentioned the links in business and industry or media as being very important in your daily life. Other links between the Philippines and the rest of the world might not be as important to you. You should discuss your answer with your Instructional Manager or Facilitator for additional feedback.



Appendix

Here is a list of goods that the Philippines imports and exports:

PHILIPPINE EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP

Total agro-based products

Agro-based products

Coconut products

Copra

Coconut oil

Desiccated coconut

Copra meal/cake

Others

Sugar and products

Centrifugal and refined

Molasses

Others

Fruits and vegetables

Canned pineapple

Pineapple juices

Pineapple concentrates

Bananas

Mangoes

Others

Other agro-based products

Fish, fresh or preserved of which:

Shrimps and prawns

Coffee, raw, not roasted

Abaca fibers

Tobacco unmanufactured

Natural rubber

Ramie fibers, raw or roasted

Seaweeds, dried

Rice

Others

Forest products

Logs

Lumber

Plywood

Veneer sheets/Core stocks

Others

Mineral products

Copper concentrates

Copper metal

Gold

Iron ore agglomerates

Chromium ore

Nickel

Others

Petroleum products
 Manufactures
 Electronic equipment and parts
 Garments
 Textile yarns/fabrics
 Footwear
 Travel goods and handbags
 Wood manufactures
 Furniture and fixtures
 Chemicals
 Nonmetallic mineral manufactures
 Machinery and transport equipment
 Processed food and beverages
 Iron and steel
 Baby carriage., toys, games and sporting goods
 Basketwork, wickerwork and other articles of plaiting materials
 Miscellaneous manufactured articles
 Others
 Special transactions
 Re-exports

PHILIPPINE IMPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP

Capital goods
 Power Generating and specialized machines
 Office and EDP machines
 Telecommunication equipment and electric machines
 Land transport equipment excluding passenger
 Cars and motorized cycles
 Aircraft, ships and boats
 Professional Science and Cont. Inst., photographic equipment and optical goods
 Raw materials and intermediate goods
 Unprocessed raw materials
 Wheat
 Corn
 Unmilled cereals excluding rice and corn
 Crude materials, inedible
 Pulp and waste paper
 Cotton
 Synthetic fibers
 Metalliferous ores
 Others
 Tobacco, unmanufactured
 Semi-processed raw materials

 Feeding stuffs for animals
 Animal and vegetable oils and fats
 Chemical
 Chemical compounds
 Medicinal and pharmaceutical chemical
 Urea
 Fertilizer excluding urea

- Artificial resins
- Others
- Manufactured goods
 - Paper and paper products
 - Textile yarns, fabrics and made-up articles
- Nonmetallic mineral manufactures
 - Iron and steel
 - Nonferrous metals
 - Metal products
 - Others
- Embroideries
- Materials/Accessories for the manufacturing of electrical equipment
- Iron ore, not agglomerated
- Mineral fuel and lubricant
 - Coal, coke
 - Petroleum, crude
 - Others
- Consumer goods
 - Durable
 - Passenger cars & motorized cycle
 - Home appliances
 - Miscellaneous manufactures
 - Nondurable
 - Food and live animals chiefly for food
 - Dairy products
 - Fish & fish preparation
 - Rice
 - Fruits and vegetables
 - Others
 - Beverages and tobacco manufacture
 - Articles of apparel, access.
- Special transactions
- Articles temporarily imported and exported
- Others

Source: Trade Statistics Division, National Statistics Office
 Republic of the Philippines.



Glossary

Computer programming Creating or writing code to make a computer run and perform tasks

Connected Joined together; united

Currency The money used in a certain country. This can be exchanged for other currencies in other countries at a certain rate.

Exchange rate When you exchange one currency for another, the exchange rate determines how much of one currency you can get for another.

Exports The goods and services that are manufactured in the Philippines and then sent to other countries

Export processing zone A place designated by the government where factories can be built. Export processing zones have special incentives for companies who set up factories in these special areas.

Imports The goods and services that are manufactured in other countries and then sent to the Philippines

Links/Linkage A connection; to be joined

OFWs Overseas Filipino workers. These are Filipinos who go to other countries to work.

UN United Nations. The United Nations is a group of 189 countries that are committed to preserving peace through international cooperation.

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. UNESCO seeks to contribute to peace and security in the world by promoting links and teamwork among nations through education, science, culture and communication.

VFA Visiting Forces Agreement. The VFA is an agreement between the United States and the Philippines in which the armed forces of both countries will conduct military exercises together.



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