



UNIT

1

I AM A FILIPINO:
Social Studies for Kinder to Grade 2

IDENTITY

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OVERVIEW OF IDENTITY

Dear Parent and Guardian:

Thank you for purchasing Unit 1 of the “I am A Filipino” Series - a 4-part series on Social Studies for learners in Kinder, Grade 1, and Grade 2. The focus of Unit 1 is Identity. In this series of lessons, the student will learning about their identity as persons, and as members of a family, community, country, and as part of the environment. God is the source of our identity. Based on what the Bible says, a person’s identity is rooted on the principle distinguishing humans from other creatures: We are created in the image of God.

Understanding our identity from this principle is crucial for our children’s journey towards adulthood. In Proverbs 22:6, parents need to train up their children in the way they should go. The purpose of training is so when the children grow up they would remain on the right path. Children are easily swayed by those who want to take advantage of their innocence. But we can protect them from negative influences in the world today by leading them to the source of their identity - their Creator.

As creatures and image bearers of God, we see ourselves as mere stewards of life and creation. God has defined our identity as persons and has set limits on what we can become in this life on earth. At the same time, He provided all resources we can use to make the most of our identity during our limited time on earth, for His glory and for our good.

May God bless your learning activities.

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HOW TO USE THIS MATERIAL

This material has the following headings to help you facilitate each lesson in this Unit.



FOCUS

This icon indicates what the lesson is about.



TEACH THE STUDENT

This icon is for the lesson.



PREPARE

This icon tells what you need to prepare in advance before going through the lesson.



STORYTIME

This icon contains a relevant story you need to read after giving the lesson.



COMMENCE

This icon indicates the start of the lesson, which includes prayer and Bible reading.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

This icon contains the guide questions you will ask before doing the lesson activities.



VOCABULARY WORD

This icon is for the lesson's Vocabulary Word. Stick it on the Learner's Wall, let the student read it aloud. Then explain its meaning to the student.



ACTIVITY

This icon shows all activities you will complete for the lesson. This includes the cutouts for the vocabulary words and activities for the Kinder, Grade 1, and Grade 2 student.



OPTIONAL ACTIVITY FOR OUTDOORS

These are optional activities to help reinforce the lessons learned.

I AM A FILIPINO



FOCUS

Learn about your citizenship as a Filipino.



PREPARE

1. Tools for writing, coloring, and cutting.



COMMENCE

1. Begin the lesson by thanking God for the new day, and asking Him for wisdom to complete today's lesson.
2. Read Acts 17:26-27.



VOCABULARY WORD

Cut out and stick the vocabulary word **FILIPINO** on your Learner's Wall (See Lesson 2, **ACTIVITY FOR VOCABULARY WORD**).



TEACH THE STUDENT

Our vocabulary word for the day is **FILIPINO**. The word "Filipino" is used for citizens of the Philippines. A Filipino is someone born in the Philippines, or has a Filipino parent. Foreigners can also become Filipino if they apply for citizenship and get approved by the government.



Being Filipino means honoring God, loving the country, respecting human life, and stewarding the environment. Our National Motto spells this out: Maka-Diyos, Maka-tao, Makakalisakan, at Makabansa. These values make Filipinos unique. Because Filipinos are Maka-Diyos, many are strong in faith and resilience. Even though the Philippines is burdened by different challenges, many Filipinos still find ways to help others, and go through their day with songs and smiles.

Because Filipino people are Maka-tao, Makakalikasan, and Makabansa, many in the Philippines are friendly and festive. From the Batanes group of islands in the north down to the isles of Tawi-Tawi, Filipinos have many festivals to celebrate their life, faith, culture, and friendship.

These festivals showcase the rich and diverse heritage brought to this land by Negritos, Malays, Arabs, Spanish, Indians, Americans, Japanese, and Chinese. Thus, we have different kinds of food, dance, arts, clothing, and language.



Every year, we witness our friendly and festive culture during Christmas. Christmas celebration in the Philippines is the longest in the world. Many Filipinos prepare for Christmas as early as September, and continue their festivities up to the 1st week of January.

The National Motto can also explain why most Filipinos hate war. Filipino can get along with different people and cultures. Yes, we have disagreements with some neighbors in Asia, and we should stand our ground to protect our interests. But we believe war is never a solution because it destroys both human life and the environment. We always want to give peace a chance.

As Filipinos, we are always grateful to have a country to live in. The Philippines is our home. Just like any country in the world, the Philippines is not perfect. There are lots of problems to fix, many issues to solve, and a multitude of habits to change. But there are lots of blessings to thank God for in this country. That's why we are happy to be Filipino.



STORYTIME

CUPLAKE

Debbie asked one of her staff to hang up the CLOSED sign and lock the front door of Cuplake - a cake shop she built in Legazpi City. The whole afternoon, Cuplake sold lots of Pili nut chocolate cookies and lemon grass tea. It was a successful day for their business and it was something for Debbie and Cuplake's employees to celebrate.

While everyone was busy cleaning their stations, Debbie noticed her long-time employee, Catrina, looking uneasy and worried. Debbie asked Catrina, "Are you alright?"

"It's nothing," Catrina muttered with eyes looking at the ground. "I'm just...it's nothing, really..."

Catrina broke into tears before she could continue her sentence. Debbie moved closer to hand the tissue paper box and tap her shoulder.

"Lito is... he's in the hospital." Catrina narrated what happened to her husband an hour earlier. Lito was riding his bike home from work when a speeding bus hit him.



The accident almost claimed his life. Lito is conscious but is unable to walk. “But,” Catrina spoke with sobs. “I didn’t want to tell you earlier because we had to serve our customers and earn money.”

“Where’s Lito now?” Debbie said in an alarmed tone. “You should have told me earlier! Your family is more important than money.”

Debbie took all the important details she needed from Catrina. Then she instructed her driver to bring Catrina to the hospital so she can reach the place faster. “And don’t worry about the bills, okay? Cuplake will help you with your expenses.”

Catrina rushed to hug Debbie. Tears streamed down her cheeks. “Thank you, Debbie, and thank you, Cuplake.” [END]



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. What do you call a citizen of the Philippines?
2. What is the National Motto of the Philippines?
3. What country has the longest Christmas celebration in the world?
4. In the story we read, why was Catrina sad?
5. How did Debbie comfort Catrina?



ACTIVITY FOR VOCABULARY WORD

Cut out this vocabulary word and paste it on your Learner’s Wall.



FILIPINO

“A person born or naturalized in the Philippines; or born to a Filipino parent.”



ACTIVITY FOR KINDER

1. Trace the word below and say the sentence aloud.

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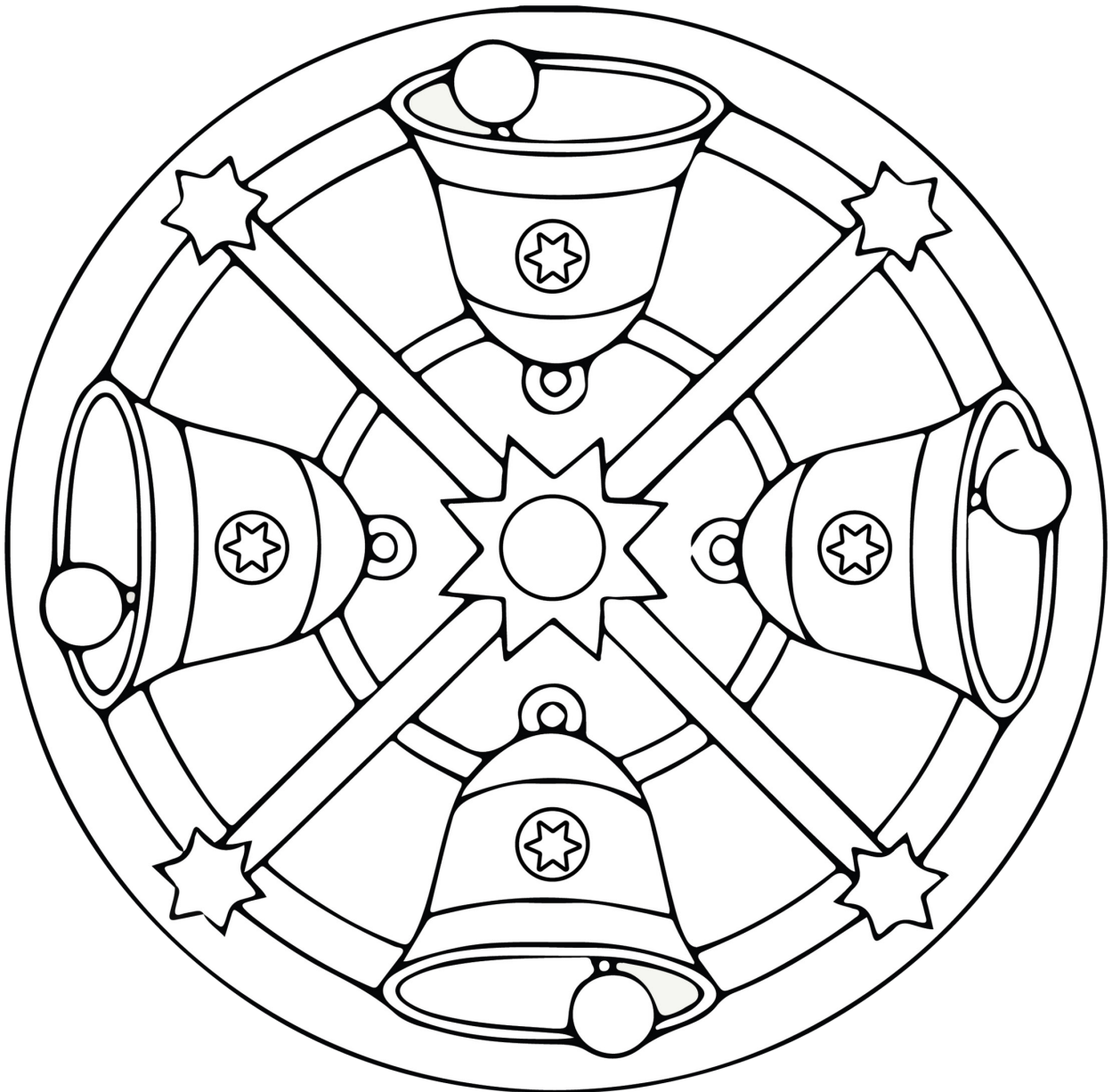
2. Filipinos are one of the happiest people in the world. Draw a happy face in the box below.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for a child to draw a happy face.



ACTIVITY FOR GRADE 1

Parols are common decorations during Christmas season. "Parol" is from the Spanish word "farol," which means lantern. Color this Christmas parol to make it beautiful.





ACTIVITY FOR GRADE 2

Draw and color the kind of product you want to create in the future to help more Filipinos.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for a student to draw and color a product they want to create in the future to help more Filipinos.

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Describe your product in the lines below.
