

PHILIPPINES

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



A2

1. What is the capital of the Philippines?
2. Have you ever heard of the Philippines before? What do you know about it?
3. What language do people speak in the Philippines?
4. Do you know any famous places in the Philippines?
5. What is the weather like in the Philippines?
6. What types of food are popular in the Philippines?
7. Do you know any festivals in the Philippines?
8. What animals can you find in the Philippines?
9. What do you think people in the Philippines do for fun?
10. Have you seen pictures of the beaches in the Philippines?
11. What is the traditional dress in the Philippines called?
12. Do you know any Filipino celebrities or athletes?
13. What sports are popular in the Philippines?
14. What is the national flag of the Philippines like?
15. What kind of houses do people live in the Philippines?
16. Have you ever tried Filipino food? What did you think of it?
17. What do you think is the most interesting thing about the Philippines?
18. Would you like to visit the Philippines someday? Why or why not?
19. What is the currency of the Philippines?
20. What do you think life is like for children in the Philippines?

B1

1. What are some cultural traditions unique to the Philippines?
2. How does the geography of the Philippines affect its culture and lifestyle?
3. What are some of the most popular tourist destinations in the Philippines?
4. How does the history of the Philippines influence its culture today?
5. What are the main industries in the Philippines, and how do they impact the economy?
6. How does the Philippines celebrate major holidays like Christmas or New Year?
7. What is the significance of family in Filipino culture?
8. How does the education system in the Philippines compare to your country?
9. What are some environmental challenges the Philippines faces?
10. What role does religion play in the daily lives of Filipinos?
11. How has Filipino music and dance influenced other cultures?
12. What are some challenges faced by people living in rural areas of the Philippines?
13. How do Filipinos celebrate their independence day?
14. What are some key exports of the Philippines, and why are they important?
15. How does the political system in the Philippines work?
16. What are the most common modes of transportation in the Philippines?
17. How do Filipinos deal with natural disasters like typhoons and earthquakes?
18. What are some popular Filipino movies or TV shows, and what do they reflect about the culture?
19. How does the Philippines' relationship with other countries affect its culture and economy?

B2

1. How has colonial history shaped the identity and culture of the Philippines today?
2. What are the implications of the Philippines being an archipelago on its social and economic development?
3. How does the Filipino concept of “Bayanihan” reflect the values of the community?
4. In what ways has the Philippines contributed to global pop culture?
5. How does the multilingualism in the Philippines impact communication and education?
6. What challenges does the Philippines face in balancing economic growth with environmental sustainability?
7. What are the social impacts of the Overseas Filipino Worker (OFW) phenomenon on families and communities?
8. How does the Philippines’ biodiversity compare to other countries, and why is it important to protect it?
9. What are the main challenges in the Philippine education system, and how could they be addressed?
10. How do traditional Filipino values conflict with modern, globalized influences?
11. What are the economic implications of tourism for the Philippines?
12. How do Filipino literature and arts reflect the country’s social issues and historical experiences?
13. What are the prospects and challenges for the Philippines in achieving sustainable urban development?
14. How do Filipino diasporas contribute to the economy and culture of the Philippines?
15. How does the Philippines’ approach to disaster preparedness and response compare to other countries?

C1

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3. In what ways does the political landscape in the Philippines reflect broader global trends in governance and populism?
4. How has the Philippines managed to maintain its cultural heritage amidst rapid modernization and globalization?
5. What are the ethical implications of the environmental degradation caused by mining in the Philippines?
6. How does the Philippines navigate its relationship with major global powers, given its strategic location in Southeast Asia?
7. To what extent does social inequality in the Philippines affect its overall economic development?
8. How does the phenomenon of urban migration shape the socio-cultural fabric of Filipino society?
9. How does the Philippines' approach to disaster risk reduction and management reflect its vulnerability to natural disasters?
10. What are the implications of the Philippines' maritime disputes in the South China Sea on regional stability?
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