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Learning Activity Sheet Detecting Biases and Propaganda

A. Identify what kind of bias is shown in the statements. An example is given to you. Write the answers on the blank provided.

Example: I like my skin to be fairer because a fair complexion is always noticed by many.

Answer: *Bias against dark skin or bias in favor of a fair complexion*

1. I like getting a bit of early morning sunshine because early morning sunlight provides natural vitamin D.

2. I try to avoid wearing sad-colored shirts like black and gray so that I do not get a bad mood.

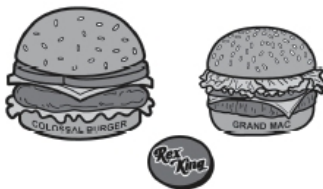
3. I avoid eating chocolates and all other kinds of sweet desserts because they may cause diabetes.

4. Reading something from my gadget is so much more enjoyable and convenient than having to hold and read a boring paperback.

5. I would rather buy a product that is made in the Philippines than one that is made abroad because I know that by doing so, I would be helping the local producers and economy of my own country.

B. Identify the kind of propaganda technique that is present in the advertisements. Write the answers on the blank provided.

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A. Read and analyze the given selection. Determine the words or phrases that shows biases and propaganda by answering the questions. Write the answers on the blank provided.

Selection A.

Country A recently purchased three million raw materials for furniture making from its close neighbor, Country B. Country B assures that its raw materials come from the finest and sturdiest trees in its country. This recent purchase is only one of Country A's many desperate moves to remain on the good side of Country B as it owes millions of dollars as debt to the said country. The shameful purchase comes at a time when Country A allowed all of the exports of Country B to enter the country without any international tax. One of the top officials and major critics of Country A's leader recently noted in an interview, "Our sovereignty is now at risk by our puppet-like leader, who is ready to answer to every command of Country B."

1. What propaganda technique is used in the sentence: "Our sovereignty is now at risk by our puppet-like leader, who is ready to answer to every command of Country B."

2. What words used in the listening selection can be deemed as bias?

Selection B.

The Unpredictable Gary Roces

Recent developments from the Head Police Station have led to a series of inconsistent statements and remarks made by Head Police Station Spokesperson Gary Roces. Various media groups have pointed out the shameless press conferences to defend how the accused, Juan de la Cruz, is innocent of the grave crime he has been accused of. One might wonder if this is the price that a former law professor like Roces would pay in exchange for having the benefits and privileges of holding a high position at the Head Office.

1. What bias does the writer have?

2. Which words in the essay reflect the writer's bias?

3. What kind of propaganda technique is used in the headline?
