LESSON 15

Pakikinig: Sa Araw ng Kordilyera On Cordillera Day

Listen to this audio cllip (file name: inter tag lesson 15A) by reporter Ilang-Ilang Quijano of *Pinoy Weekly* on Cordillera Day as celebrated in Lubuagan, Kalinga province of the region. Organized by the Cordillera People's Alliance, Cordillera Day is celebrated to honor Macli-ing Dulag, the Kalinga leader who led the indigenous people's campaign against the World Bank-funded Chico River Basin Hydroelectric project. Dulag was killed by soldiers of the Philippine Army's 4th Infantry Division on April 24, 1980.

Find out about the current struggles faced by the indigenous people of the Cordillera by listening to the audio files provided. The shorter clip (15A), at 1 minute and 6 seconds, focuses on how big business threatens the lives of the people. Comprehension questions on this audio file can be found below. Should you want to listen to the whole report on the celebration of Cordillera Day including history and context, please listen to the longer clip (15B) at 2 minutes and 7 seconds. Alternatively, you can watch the video at http://pinoyweekly.org/new/2012/05/bidyo-sa-araw-ng-kordilyera/.

Review/Study the following vocabulary words: itatayo (will be built); dambuhala (huge); maghukay (dig); nangangamba (fears); katutubo (indigenous [people]); palalayasin (will be driven away); lupaing ninuno (ancestral land); binabalak (planning); nanganganib (in danger); banta (threat); taas-noo (with pride [literally, forehead up]); pagtaguyod (support); katutubong pamumuhay (indigenous way of life); bukod-tangi (unique).

- 1. What does the company Chevron plan to do in Kalinga province?
- 2. What are the indigenous people afraid of?
- 3. What are the means of livelihood of most of the indigenous people?
- 4. Who are the collaborators of Chevron?
- 5. What do the indigenous people of the Cordillera want?
- 6. Who have joined the indigenous people in their struggle?