

LESSON 18



Pakikinig: Insidente sa Tubbataha Reef

The Tubbataha Reef Incident

Listen to the three short audio clips about the Tubbataha reef incident that happened in Manila in January 2013. The first clip (file name: inter tag lesson 18A) is about the incident itself outlining the positions of the United States navy, the Philippine government and an environmental group. This excerpt is from the report entitled “Tubbataha Reef: home to fish and marine species” filed by Atom Araullo for *TV Patrol*, a news show aired by ABS-CBN channel on 25 January 2013. The full video can be accessed at <http://www.abs-cbnnews.com/video/nation/regions/01/25/13/tubbataha-reef-beautiful-home-fish-and-marine-species>.

The second clip (file name: inter tag lesson 18B) focuses on the incident—about the minesweeper USS Guardian that struck the reef on January 17, 2013. This excerpt comes from the news report “Pagsita ng Park Rangers sa US Navy sa pagpasok nito sa Tubbataha Reef, nakunan ng video” (Park Rangers call the attention of the US Navy upon the latter’s entrance to [the] Tubbataha Reef [area]” caught on video),” filed by Cedric Castillo for the news program *State of the Nation* of GMA 7 on January 25, 2013. The full video can be accessed at <http://www.gmanetwork.com/news/video/149542/stateofthenation/pagsita-ng-park-rangers-sa-us-navy-sa-pagpasok-nito-sa-tubbataha-reef-nakunan-ng-video>.

The third and final clip (file name: inter tag lesson 18C) is about a related incident—of youths throwing paint bombs at the US Embassy. This is a report by Julius Babao featured in the news program *Bandila* of ABS-CBN. You may want to listen to the full video report at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=786KJug7kU>.

First, review/study the following vocabulary words for the first video inter tag lesson 18A (1:13 minutes): **alon** (waves); **amihan** (northeast wind); **hinahambalos** (pummeling); **bumalandra** (laid across); **paraiso** (paradise); **kawalan** (nothingness; open space); **namumugad** (nesting); **pugad** (nest); **coral reef** (bahura); **namumutiktik** (teeming); **yamang-dagat** (marine resources); **manumbalik** (return to what it once was); **mapapanagot** (held accountable). Listen only to the first audio clip. Then, review the skills you have learned to describe places by answering the following questions.

1. What is Tubbataha Reef like during the *amihan* season?
2. What is Tubbataha Reef like when the weather is good?
3. What can be found underwater at Tubbataha Reef?
4. How many people live off the coral triangle?
5. How long will it take to repair the damage to Tubbataha Reef?

Second, listen to the second audio clip (file name: inter tag lesson 18B). For this 1:39-second audio, review both your skills in giving descriptions and narrating. Review the following vocabulary words to prepare: **sumadsad** (skidded); **nakatagilid** (tilted); **yupi-yupi** (dented; flattened); **sumisid** (dived); **tumambad** (was exposed); **nadaganan** (pinned down); **nakayod** (were scraped); **sisitahin** (warned; reprimanded); **armado** (armed); **pagsuway** (defiance).

6. What happened to the corals after they were hit by the boat? Please be specific, using the words from the audio clip.
7. What does the white part of the seafloor indicate according to the experts?
8. What did the marine rangers say to those aboard the US ship?

Finally, listen to the brief (26 seconds) third audio clip (file name: inter tag lesson 18C). For this video, practice expressing your opinions. Study the following vocabulary words: **pagsadsad** (skidding); **pinsala** (damage); **hinarang** (blocked); **girian** (facing off); **nasabuyan** (was thrown with liquid); **naghulasan** (dispersed).

9. What did the youth activists do?
10. Are you in favor of what they did or do you disagree? Express your opinion by starting with any of the following phrases:

Sang-ayon ako sa ginawa nila dahil... *I agree with what they did because...*

Hindi ako sang-ayon sa ginawa nila dahil... *I disagree with what they did because...*

Tama ang ginawa nila dahil... *What they did was right because...*

Mali ang ginagawa nila dahil... *What they did was wrong because...*