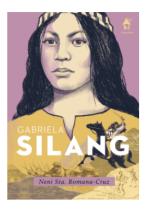
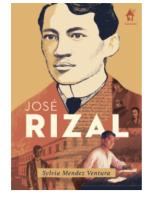
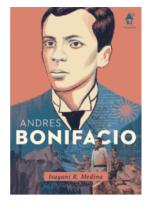
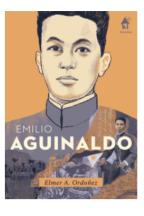


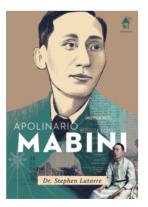
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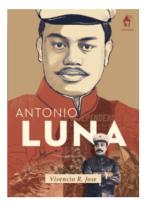




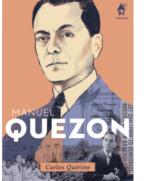
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Here's how you can make the most out of the books in the series for your child's Philippine history. The objective is to inspire our children with these heroic lives and contribute to their love of country.

For grades 1 to 3 - Feel free to read aloud one biography per school quarter. **For grades 4 and up** - Independent reading of at least one biography is encouraged.

Here are some ideas to make learning about our heroes come alive.

- 1. <u>Narration</u> Narration is mostly used by homeschoolers using the Charlotte Mason method of education. Charlotte Mason, a 19th century British educator, said that children can self-educate. One of the ways to support that is by encouraging them to speak of what they learned from what they have read. A basic question would be: Tell me about what we/I read.
- <u>Read chronologically</u> History can be appreciated more when read in chronological order. If you are using another history book and just want to supplement with the Great Lives series, choose a hero who lived in the time period that your child is currently studying. For more about reading history chronologically, read <u>our series of articles</u> about it.
- 3. <u>Map our heroes</u>- Our heroes hailed from different provinces. Make sure to check your Philippine map where each one came from. Make a hero disk (draw a small picture of a hero's head), laminate (optional), and use blue tack or tape to put on the hero's hometown. You may make several copies if you want to trace a hero's movements and tack them on your map too! Alternatively, you can just write a hero's name instead of drawing his face, or just print a Philippine map and color and label each place where our heroes were born.
- 4. <u>Make a personal timeline</u> Use our timeline below (or make your own in your child's history notebook) to get a whole view of a hero's life; just print for each hero. Your child can start with the hero's birth and continue to write details and events as he progresses with the story.

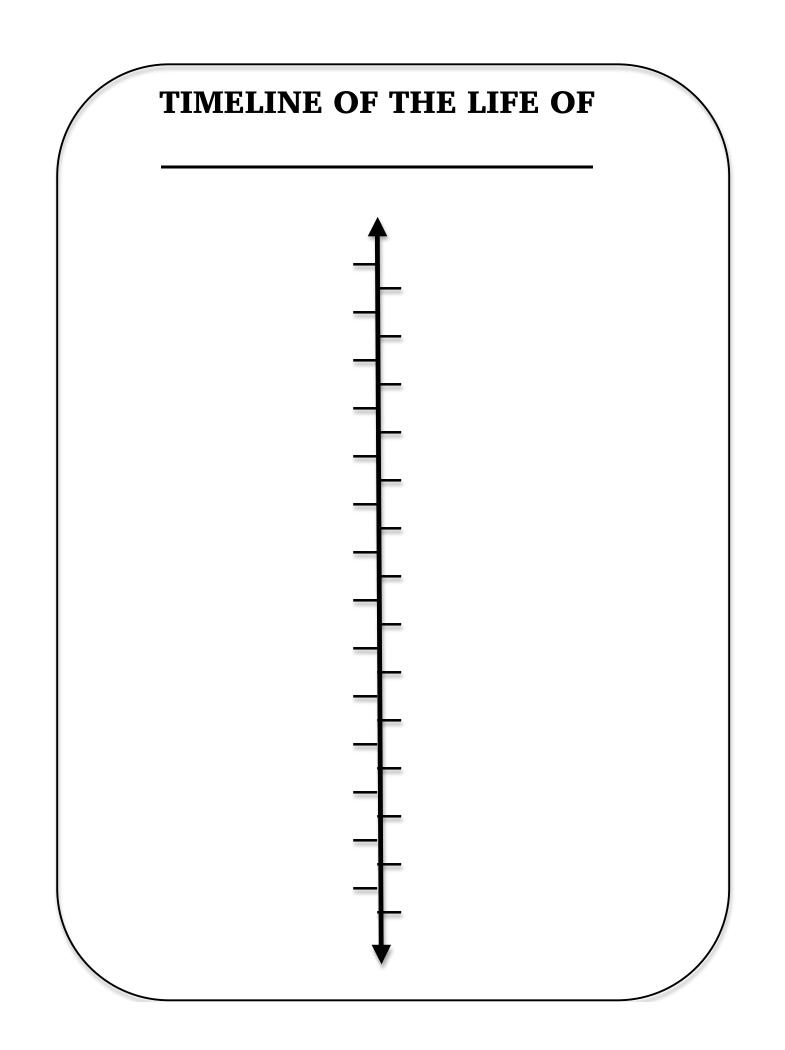
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- 5. <u>Watch documentaries or archival live footages or read archival news</u>- There are interesting videos online that you and your child can look up after finishing a biography. There's even one of <u>Emilio Aguinaldo giving a speech</u> in 1929! This will further show that our heroes are not just statues, but real, speaking and thinking people.
- 6. Look for archival news For older kids, we like reading news from the archives when possible, to give us a contemporary view of history. One favorite resource is United Press International or UPI.com. You can also search online using the following keywords "(news outlets that have been around for a long time like The Atlantic in the US or reputable Philippine publications) archive (person or event)".
- 7. <u>Make a character map</u> We love making character maps of a person in history think mind maps! Start by drawing the image of the hero in the middle of a page and as you read through a book, write down virtues and characteristics of the hero, one bubble each.
- 8. <u>Read go-along books</u> If your child is interested, or if you are following the Unit Study method of education, feel free to look for other well-written picture books to go along with each biography. Check out our <u>free booklist here.</u>
- 9. <u>Make a Philippine Heroes Booklet</u> Using the Notebooking Page below, your child can fill it up and when he's done with the series, he can make a booklet out of those for a personal learning keepsake or as part of his school portfolio.
- 10. Write something about a hero Using the blank lines in the Notebook Page below, or your child's history notebook, your child can write about a hero in whatever level he is and whatever writing capacity he has. For younger children, 2 to 3 sentences would already be great. Depending on your child's level, he can write about any of the following:
 - Write what you remember the most from this hero's story. (NOTE: This is an open invitation that should be made without expecting a specific answer that he should have remembered.)
 - Describe one of this hero's virtues. How did he show it?
 - Describe this hero's family. How do you think his upbringing contributed to his heroism?

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