"Filipino American Literature Collection"

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This is an anthology of Filipino American short stories and poetry, including works of such authors as Jessica Hagedorn, Carlos Bulosan, Evelina Galang, as well as lesser known authors such as Jeff Tagami, Jaime Jacinto, and Noel Abubo Mateo. The title, Flippin', is a play on the derogatory term "flip," which means "funny little island people."

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This is an American textbook of the Tagalog language, the most prominent language of the Philippines. Although this is a textbook, it gives me insight into the language and customs of the Philippines.