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| **LOCATION**Image result for world map showing philippinesThe story is set on **Culion Island** which is one of the **7641 islands** that make up the **Philippines**.- this is in the continent of **Asia** | See the source image*Ami lives with her sick mother on an island where the sea is as blue as the sky. It’s all she knows and loves, but the arrival of a cruel government official, Mr Zamora, changes her world forever.**It’s a story of friendship, love and family; a story which makes us consider how we treat others.* | **Butterflies** are beautiful, flying insects with large scaly wings. Like all insects, they have * six jointed legs,
* 3 body parts, - the head, **thorax** (the chest), and **abdomen** (the tail end).
* a pair of **antennae**, (feelers)
* **compound** eyes,(more than one unit)
* an **exoskeleton**. (outside covering for the body)

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| **KEY FACTS**From 1906 **lepers** were sent to the island from the Phillipines**Leprosy** is a hugely stigmatizing condition, linked to dirtiness and sin when in fact it is a bacteriological disease. It is veryhard to catch, and cannot be transmitted by touch**Leprosy** was widespread for millennia throughout Asia, Africa and Europe until a cure was developed and made internationally available in the **1980s.** Cases still number in the hundreds of thousands, but many of these are cured..**From 1906 to 1910 alone, 5,303 men, women and children were transported to Culion Island. It was the largest leper colony in the world.****It was only declared leprosy free in 2006** | **VOCABULARY** **Nanay** -Mother**Ama** -Father**Lolo** -Grandfather**Gumamela** -Hibiscus, a kind of flower common in the Philippines**Tadhana** -Fate**Takipsilim** -Twilight**Habilin** -Something given to someone for safekeeping**Lihim** -Secret**Diwata** -Guardian spirits, usually of nature **Pitaya** -Dragon fruit**Pahimakas** -Last farewell**Touched** -has leprosy**Untouched** -does not have leprosy | **VOCABULARY** **kaleidoscope**- a group of butterflies**lepidoptery/lepidopterology:** the study of butterflies and moths**lepidoptera** – insects which include butterflies**lepidopterist:** a collector of butterflies**orphan**- a child whose parents are dead**orphanage-** a place for the care and education of orphans**segregation**- to be separated from another thing |