Philadelphia, Here I Come! Writing Prompts

Choose a task below to help you to explore the ending of the play. In your writing, you should try to:

- explore both Public Gar and Private Gar, showing how there is more under the surface than appears to others
- use language to reflect the characters in the play see if you can write in the same way that Brian Friel uses to develop his characters
- give detail to explain Gar's thought process and the factors that impact him.

Write a letter to Aunt Lizzie and Uncle Con explaining why you have decided not to come to America.

Write a letter to SB to let him know what your new life in Philadelphia is like.

Write a letter to Madge that SB won't see, telling her about your new life.

Make a list of the pros and cons of moving to Philadelphia and then write about your decision to either go or stay.

