

# Exploring Coffee

IN LATIN AMERICA

A LLILAS & TAGE  
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ECONOMICS

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SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT

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PHYSICAL  
GEOGRAPHY

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CULTURE

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## RATIONALE

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*This unit is designed to help high school geography students explore the topic of coffee in Latin America as a case study for resource impact and sustainability. Students explore physical geography, economics, culture, and sustainability. The four lessons work as a unit, or each can stand alone.*

## AUTHORS

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## COLLABORATION

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