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The Amazing World of Coffee

Read the passage carefully and do the activities.

People all over the world drink coffee. It is the world's most popular drink. The French call it café, the Germans Kaffee, the Japanese koohi, the Turkish kahve. But the people of Sweden drink the most coffee- more than five cups a day. Over half of American adults drink it every day, but not as much as in Sweden. Too much coffee is bad for your health.

We don't know who really discovered coffee. There is one story about a man who discovered coffee in Ethiopia, a country in Africa, around the year 700. The man's name was Kaldi, and he took care of goats. One day, he watched them while they were eating some plants. Soon after they ate the plants, the goats became very excited, and they did not sleep that night. Kaldi tried the plants himself, and he became very excited, too. Other people tried the plants. They decided to boil the plants and then drink the liquid. They, too, couldn't sleep well at night. This drink became popular and went from Ethiopia to Arabia. By 1200, it was a popular drink in the Arab world. The word coffee comes from the Arabic word "qahwah". Coffee then traveled from Arabia to Turkey, Europe, and the rest of the world.

Coffee has been very popular in history. Many famous people loved coffee. The French writer Voltaire needed 72 cups every day. In 1735, the German musician Johann Sebastian Bach wrote music about coffee. Another German musician, Beethoven, counted 60 beans for each cup of coffee he made. That was strong!

There are coffee shops and coffee bars all over North America today. They serve all kinds of coffee in different sizes and flavors. Many coffee shops also give customers free Wi-Fi. In fact, it is not unusual for students to go into a coffee shop, buy one cup of coffee, and then sit for hours with their laptops writing their papers and surfing the Web.



PART 1: Match the words with the meaning.

Match the words on the left with their correct meanings on the right.

1. popular	•	• a. a person who buys and uses goods or services
2. discover	•	• b. a person who writes books or articles
3. excite	•	• c. not common or usual
4. liquid	•	• d. a substance that flows, not solid
5. traveler	•	• e. liked or enjoyed by many people
6. writer	•	• f. to find something for the first time
7. unusual	•	• g. to make someone feel very happy and excited
8. customer	•	• h. a person who goes from place to place



PART 2: Complete these sentences with the words.

popular discovered excited traveled unusual

Choose the best word to complete each sentence.

1. Coffee is one of the most _____ drinks in the world.
2. Kaldi _____ coffee when he saw his goats.
3. The goats were _____ after eating the plants.
4. Coffee _____ from Ethiopia to many countries.
5. It is not _____ for students to go to coffee shops and study.



Think!

If you could open your own coffee shop, what kind of coffee would you serve and what would make your shop special?

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PART 3: Looking for Main Idea

Read each group of sentences and choose the best main idea.



1. People all over the world drink coffee. It is the world's most popular drink. Many countries have their own coffee traditions.
   a. Coffee is expensive.
   b. Coffee is the world's most popular drink.
   c. People only drink five cups of coffee.
   d. Coffee is bad for your health.



2. A man named Kaldi discovered coffee in Ethiopia around the year 700. He saw his goats eat plants, become excited, and not sleep at night.
   a. Kaldi liked to drink coffee every day.
   b. Kaldi discovered coffee by accident.
   c. Goats can make coffee.
   d. Kaldi traveled to Arabia.



3. Coffee spread from Ethiopia to Arabia and then to Turkey, Europe, and the rest of the world. The word "coffee" comes from the Arabic word "qahwah".
   a. Coffee stayed only in Ethiopia.
   b. The word "coffee" is from English.
   c. Coffee traveled to many countries.
   d. Arabs didn't like coffee.



4. Coffee is important in history, music, and daily life. People enjoy it in coffee shops, use Wi-Fi, work, and relax.
   a. Coffee is only for old people.
   b. Coffee is part of many people's daily lives.
   c. People don't like coffee anymore.
   d. Coffee shops only sell coffee.



PART 4: Questions and Answer

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Where and when was coffee discovered?

2. How did the goats react after eating the plants?

3. How did coffee travel around the world?

4. Why do you think coffee is popular in many countries?

5. Do you like coffee? Why or why not?



"Good ideas start with coffee."

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