

Congolese Coltan

Coltan is in incredibly high demand by the electronic industry as it is essential in the production of laptops and cell phones. However, in countries such as the Democratic Republic of Congo mining this mineral comes at a high cost. What are regional consequences of the global demand for coltan? What should be done to regulate the international sales of and demand for coltan more efficiently?

Create a group stand-alone video production appropriate for public consumption that illuminates the problem and illustrates the public's role in solving the problem coltan mining creates.

Individually, write a magazine article to help people understand the impact of coltan mining and how the reader is truly interconnected with others in the global community.

Present February 29th.

National Geographic: *Murder Haunts Africa's Oldest Park*
by Mark Jenkins

Language Arts

BOE: Expository
Persuasive speaking
Research: prioritizing
sources
Listening skills
Literature

Science

Environmental issues
Mining & Refining
Rocks & Minerals
Properties of compounds &
elements
Technology using coltan

Social Studies

Economics
National security
Natural Resources
International Relations