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"Punnett is a prolific scholar continuing her relentless effort to attract attention to management in developing countries (DCs). In *Managing in Developing Countries*, she offers a convincing business case for investment in DCs. Punnett provides a succinct and practical framework on how to manage in DCs while acknowledging the complexity and diversity within this group of countries. This is a must-read volume for researchers as well as global business and political leaders."

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"This beautiful book will be a go-to guide for years to come. Enormously helpful to both developing nations and developed ones, it helps readers understand cultural differences in behaviors and actions. The book introduces models for management and strategic planning and tackles factors that are coupled with economic development, human resources development, leadership, and managing an international workforce in developing countries. It then examines the influence of characteristics within developing countries on motivation. It is a brilliant piece of work!"

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This book considers management theories and approaches specifically in the context of developing countries. In recent years, international business scholarship has increased its focus on the developing world, which represents 80 percent of the global population and has doubled its share of value-added trade in the past two decades. This text will help readers to manage successfully in this region by learning to assess, apply, and adapt established practices in developing countries.

Punnett begins by identifying the characteristics of the developing world—Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, India, Latin America, and the Middle East—and the companies therein to help students understand how the reality of these countries influences business and management. By tracking a fictional product through the internationalization process, students will navigate the challenges of operating an international company from a developing country base, using a traditional model of management focused on planning, organizing, staffing, leading, and controlling. They will also gain insight into ethical considerations likely to arise, such as differential treatment based on personal characteristics and age dispersion. Cases, discussion questions, personal stories, and end-of-chapter exercises will help readers to grapple with issues and test their learning.

Complete with chapter objectives and "Lessons Learned" boxes to facilitate understanding, *Managing in Developing Countries* is an excellent supplement for international business or international management students with a special interest in the developing world.

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