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Does an Espresso Bean Cure All Stomach Ailments? – Another Human Experiment

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Originally posted at www.blenzseymour.com, Mon, 02/28/2011 - 12:31 ----- So, there I am. Standing. But I wish I was sitting...because I have a certain common bowel-related ailment going on. But that's more than you need to know. Let's just call it a 'stomach ailment'. For a few hours I endured the usual challenges associated with this ailment but on hour three I recalled an eastern European-sounding man who came into my shop to create the following dialogue: Man: I want coffee bean. Me: Ok... Would you like 200 or 400 grams? Man: No. I just want coffee bean. Me: Well... we sell beans in either 200 or 400 gram quantities. Man: How much does cost 1 bean? Me: ONE bean?? WTF, MOFO! (ok, I didn't actually say that but I thought it.) Sir, we don't sell individual beans...but, why do you want just one bean? Man: It fixes stomach. Me: OH! Sounds good. Here you go... But I always wondered if the bean thing actually fixes stomach ailments. I was just waiting for such a day as today. Update 1: 11:15 - I have eaten, raw, two individual espresso beans. Update 2: 11:45 - I have to admit it: I'm not thinking about my stomach much and my 'general energy' is up. Was it because I haven't had a coffee yet? Is there a placebo effect kicking in? Update 3: the next day - Some have inquired about the final results. I must say that I am uncertain as to whether the fact I felt reasonably better a few hours later was because of the beans or not, but I did feel better. One customer thinks it was the placebo effect. I maintain that espresso beans cure all stomach ailments because here I am. Cured. I invite anyone in our catchment area to sign up for this experiment. I will administer one bean to you as necessary and until you are healed. We will publish the results and you'll be famous for sure.

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