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**Appendix A**  
Timeline of Chinese history

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Dynasty	Dates	Things related to tea
Prehistory	~2000BC	2737 BC, tea has been first discovered by Shen Nong
Xia	2000~1500 BC	
Shang	1700~1027 BC	
Zhou	1027~771 BC	
Spring & Autumn period Warring States period	770~221 BC	
Qin	221~207 BC	
Han	206 BC~220 AD	
Three Kingdoms, Jin	220~420 AD	Tea was cultivated in Sichuan Tea was drunk as medicine Tea drinking spread in the south
Southern & Northern Dynasties, Wei, Zhou	420~588 AD	In 520 AD, the Indian monks brought Zen Buddhism to China
Sui	581~617 AD	
Tang	618~907 AD	<b>The classical age of tea</b> Lu Yu(733~804) wrote the book: <i>Cha Jing, Tea Classical</i> Tea spread to many countries
Five Dynasties Ten Kingdoms	907~979 AD	
Song	960~1279 AD	<b>The romantic age of tea</b> Cai Xiang wrote " <i>Cha Lu</i> " <i>tea record</i> Tea house became popular in urban areas
Yuan	1279~1368 AD	Tea was drunk with milk
Ming	1368~1644 AD	<b>The naturalistic period of tea</b> Green tea was produced YiXing teapot was created Tea exported to Europe
Qing	1644~1911 AD	Tea exported to America
Republic of China	1911~1949 in mainland China 1949~ in Taiwan	
P.R.China	1949~	

**Appendix B**  
Observation form

**Local coffee shops observation sheet**

Name of the coffee shop: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

- Signage design

- Activities in the coffee house (check the activities):

Activities	9-11am		2-4pm		8-10pm	
	number	time	number	time	number	time
Individual drinking/ eating						
Individual writing						
Individual reading						
Individual using computer						
Two person drinking/ talking						
Two person reading/ writing						
Group(n)* drinking/ eating/ talking						
Group(n)* discussion						
Other						

**a.** stay less than **10** minutes, **b.** 11-20 minutes, **c.** 21-30 minutes, **d.** 31-40 minutes, **e.** 41-50 minutes, **f.** 51-60 minutes, **g.** 61-70 minutes, **h.** 71-80 minutes, **j.** 81-90 minutes, **k.** 91-100 minutes.

(n)\*: number of person in one group



**Appendix C**  
Sample of interior finishes



Cherry wood for floor covering



Cherry wood for walls and counters



Cherry wood for tables and chairs



Table and counter tops



Chair upholstery



carpet

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