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Unit 6
Meet the Explorer Video Script
Scene 6.2: *Meet Bethany Ehlmann*

Bethany Ehlmann: As a planetary geologist, I'm very fortunate—I can look to other worlds for clues about what was going on during the first billion years of solar system history. So that takes us to Mars, fourth planet out from the sun—today, very thin atmosphere, it's cold, it's dry…so we've been exploring. We cannot presently visit these worlds—we would like to—I would love to do geology on the surface of Mars, but the technologies we develop, the robots we send, they are our eyes as explorers of these other planets. We're looking to understand what happened to Mars. What happened to those potential water-rich habitats? And why did it all change, and can we use those lessons to understand our own planet a little bit more?

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