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Holt Launches New United States History Program for Middle Grades
Standards-based Content and Research-based Reading Boosts Mastery of U.S. History

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – November 17, 2005 — Holt, Rinehart and Winston – a market leader in publishing programs that meet teacher and student needs – today announced the launch of *Holt Social Studies: United States History* ©2007 for the middle grades.

United States History is a new standards-based program providing rich content that is accessible to all learners through integrated research-based reading instruction. Multiple audio, visual, and technology resources appeal to today's students by encouraging them to investigate history, the people, locations, and primary sources and to read like historians. The web-based versions, Holt Premier Online Student Editions include Live Ink® Online Reading Help—an online tool exclusive to Holt that displays the text in a format proven to improve comprehension and increase test scores.

Teachers can plan, customize, and differentiate instruction and materials to meet the needs of all of their students using the Holt One-Stop Planner® with ExamView Pro Test Generator and the Differentiated Instruction Modified Worksheets and Tests CD-ROM. A wide range of assessment options from diagnostic tests to Holt Online Assessment help teachers effectively monitor student progress.

“Holt is a leading Social Studies publisher and this outstanding United States History program continues our time-honored tradition of bringing the best materials to schools,” said Greg Long, vice president of marketing for Holt. “The authors of our new program – Professor William Deverell, Professor of History at the University of Southern California, and Deborah Gray White, Professor of History at Rutgers University – are renowned content experts.”

The *Holt Social Studies: United States History* program, the technology resources – including the Premier Online Editions – will be featured during the 2005 National Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference in Kansas City, Mo. on November 17-20. The Holt exhibit booth is 233.

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