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Four Holt Products Named Finalists in Distinguished Achievement Awards



AUSTIN, Texas – April 25, 2007 — When the Association of Educational Publishers announced the finalists for this year's Distinguished Achievement Awards, four products from Holt, Rinehart and Winston were among the top education products named by a distinguished panel of judges. These four products—from science, mathematics and Language Arts—will now go on to the final round of judging and the winners will be announced in June.

Holt (www.hrw.com) is one of the leading publishers of textbooks, learning resources, and technology for middle and high school grades. The products named for the 2007 Distinguished Achievement Awards were: Holt Science and Technology Lab Generator CD-ROM, Holt Exploring Food and Fitness Choices Interactive CD-ROM, *Holt Multicultural Readers* (for Language Arts), and Holt Lesson Tutorial Videos (for mathematics). These products join Holt's long list of awards and recognition for exceptional learning resources evaluated by third-party organizations.

The Holt Exploring Food and Fitness Choices Interactive CD-ROM is an interactive computer program that builds middle and high school students' decision-making skills regarding nutrition and physical activity through a videogame-like experience. The Lesson Tutorial Videos are online or CD-ROM-based tutorials that are narrated by a classroom teacher and explain every concept and example in each lesson of the corresponding textbook program. The *Holt Multicultural Reader* is a collection of literary and informational texts that reflect diverse cultures and ethnic backgrounds; the readers offer scaffolded, interactive reading instruction. The Holt Lab Generator is a CD-ROM database containing hundreds of editable science labs that are searchable by topic, difficulty level, duration, or state standard.

"It is a great honor to be a finalist in the Distinguished Achievement Awards. The AEP is a well-respected organization whose awards are judged by educators and by leading experts in our field," said Allen Wheatcroft, president of Holt. "The products we submitted this year represent some exciting new uses of technology as well as print innovations."

For four decades, the AEP Distinguished Achievement Awards program has recognized diverse print, electronic, and instructional resources exhibiting superior content and educational value. Judging

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panels are drawn from a national pool of writing, publishing, and design experts in print and technology; education editors; educators; and curriculum experts. Four products are selected as finalists in each category and winners will be announced at an awards banquet on June 12 in Washington, D.C.

Since 2003, thirteen Holt products have been selected as finalists and three Holt products have won their category including Holt Live Ink® Reading Help for Holt Online Learning, Holt *¡Exprésate!* DVD Tutor, and Holt Calendar Planner for the Holt One Stop Planner.

About Holt, Rinehart and Winston

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