

New Curriculum-Driven Titles Teach Middle and High School Students About the Nation and World

August 20, 2004

New Curriculum-Driven Titles Teach Middle and High School Students About the Nation and World

Farmington Hills, MI, 08/20/2004

UXL, an imprint of Thomson Gale, part of The Thomson Corporation (NYSE: TOC; TSX: TOC), is now offering four new titles to teach middle and high school students about the nation and world in an engaging and student-friendly format.

Junior Worldmark Encyclopedia of the Nations

Written clearly and presented in an easy-to-use format, Junior Worldmark Encyclopedia of the Nations helps students compare the nations of the world by providing consistent coverage of all the countries. To assist in visual learning, the title features maps of every country – 192 total – flags and seals on color end sheets and more than 600 photos of people and places.

2,200 pages - ISBN: 0-7876-9215-8 - \$315.00 until Dec. 31, 2004; \$335.00 after.

Junior Worldmark Encyclopedia of the States

Junior Worldmark Encyclopedia of the States provides middle and high school students all the facts on every state in the U.S., including the District of Columbia and U.S. dependencies, such as Puerto Rico, Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The alphabetically arranged entries include maps showing each state and its location in the nation and an introductory section listing the origin of the state name, its nickname, capital, the date the state entered the union, state song and motto, and a description of the state coat of arms.

In addition, each entry presents a picture and description of the state seal and state flag. Also listed is the official state animal, bird, fish, flower, tree and gem. Each profile is arranged in 40 standard headings – such as Location, Size, Education and Libraries – to help students compare the states.

900 pages - ISBN: 0-7876-9197-6 - \$185.00 until Dec. 31, 2004; \$195.00 after.

Junior Worldmark Encyclopedia of the Mexican States

Arranged by 28 consistent subheadings so students can quickly compare facts, Junior Worldmark Encyclopedia of the Mexican States provides up-to-date information on each of Mexico's 31 states. The topics covered include climate, plants and animals, population and ethnic groups, religions, transportation, history, state and local governments, political parties, judicial system, economy, education, arts, media tourism, sports and famous people.

200 pages - ISBN: 0-7876-9161-5 - \$58 until Dec. 31, 2004; \$60.00 after.

Junior Worldmark Encyclopedia of the Canadian Provinces

Junior Worldmark Encyclopedia of the Canadian Provinces is divided by 40 subheadings, allowing students to quickly compare facts on all of Canada's provinces and territories. It allows students to easily find details on Canada's arts, climate, government, health, languages, notable persons and ethnic groups.

240 pages - ISBN: 0-7876-9196-8 - \$58.00 until Dec. 31, 2004; \$60 after.

About The Thomson Corporation and Thomson Gale

The Thomson Corporation (www.thomson.com), with 2003 revenues of \$7.4 billion, is a global leader in providing integrated information solutions to business and professional customers. Thomson has approximately 38,000 employees and provides services in approximately 130 countries. The Corporation's common shares are listed on the New York and Toronto stock exchanges (NYSE: TOC; TSX: TOC). Its learning businesses and brands serve the needs of individuals, learning institutions, corporations and government agencies with products and services for both traditional and distributed learning.

Thomson Gale (www.gale.com) serves the world's information and education needs through its vast and dynamic content pools, which are used by students and consumers in their libraries, schools and on the Internet. It is best known for the accuracy, breadth and convenience of its data, addressing all types of information needs – from homework help to health questions to business profiles – in a variety of formats – books, Web-based solutions and microfilm. UXL®'s goal is to make comprehensive reference books at a reading level of the average seventh grader, focusing on the curriculum topics they study in school and presenting that information in an attractive, inviting way. UXL® gives students everything they need in order to complete homework assignments, write research papers or just read for recreation.