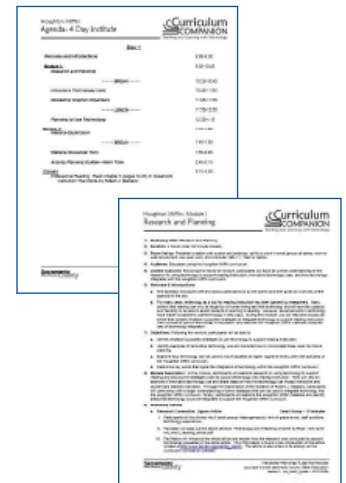


## Professional Development

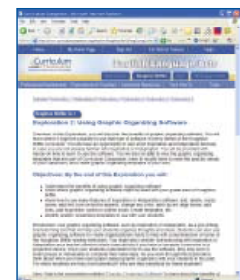
### Training Modules

Curriculum Companion™ is a face-to-face professional development program focused on technology integration into the Open Court, Houghton Mifflin, Holt, and McDougal Littell English Language Arts adoptions. Curriculum Companion™ staff development modules include an examination of current research and practices for using technology in reading, technology proficiencies, universal technology skills, classroom management with technology, access issues, and Curriculum Companion™ website resources including templates and multimedia tutorials. In addition, Curriculum Companion™ provides hands-on learning experiences on selected software applications that support the different aspects of the various ELA adoptions. Curriculum Companion™ provides time for teachers to plan, develop, collaborate, and share the teaching support materials created as a result of the hands-on instructions. As a result of this professional development experience, teachers will return to their classrooms with support lessons that can be implemented immediately. Subscribers with trainer accounts have access to all training materials including facilitator guides, handouts, agendas, and support materials.



### Teacher Explorations

For each adoption and at each grade level there are six teacher explorations. These explorations are for independent study for teachers and guide them through essential questions to ask and things to think about when integrating technology in the classroom. They begin with an exploration on setting the stage for technology integration and continue with explorations on using graphic organizing software, using Internet resources, using presentation and productivity software, using video and video conferencing, and finally, using content-based software.



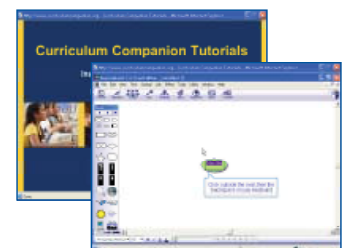
### Recorded Live Online Workshops

These professional development resources are recordings of live workshops that were conducted using our Live Meeting technology. These archived workshops vary in length from 30 minutes to two hours and are available at the click of a button. Teachers are able to see and hear the instructor and see everything on the instructor's computer that he or she is sharing with participants. No special software is required to view the workshops, and teachers can utilize this resource at their own convenience.



### Tech How-To's

Curriculum Companion™ contains over 600 narrated multimedia demonstration tutorials that teach specific procedures on common software applications such as Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Inspiration, Kidspiration, and Internet Searching. These technology tutorials provide teachers with a resource for learning how to use a variety of the most popular software programs when they need it most.



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