

Thomson Gale™

Professional Development Workshops

Teaching to Standards: Elementary State History Units

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Build a strong faculty



The mandates of the No Child Left Behind legislation continually challenge schools to introduce new techniques and technologies into the classroom and to integrate reading in the content areas. In order to meet your Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) goals, it's important to find professional development opportunities that are designed to fit the specific needs of your staff, your school, your district and your state.

Thomson Gale™ offers Professional Development Workshops to help you meet those needs. **Teaching to Standards: Elementary State History Units** is a one-day, customized workshop that helps teachers collaborate to create social studies lesson plans for a variety of grade levels.

Guided by a certified trainer, teachers design lesson plans that are aligned with your state's — and your district's — social studies standards. Lesson plans are created using the combined power of Thomson Gale's *Kids InfoBits* electronic resource and your state's alphabet book from Sleeping Bear Press' *Discover America State-by-State* series.

The tools to teach

Teachers who use *Kids InfoBits* and their state's Sleeping Bear Press state book to teach social studies in their classrooms are using a powerful combination of resources — integrating print and electronic resources in a whole new way.

How it begins

As with all Thomson Gale Professional Development Workshops, the process begins with a thorough assessment of the unique needs of educators. On the basis of this assessment, our training consultants create a workshop that focuses on specific grade levels, curriculum areas and varying levels of proficiency with electronic resources.

What you'll get

- After attending the workshop, your teachers will have created lesson plans aligned to your state curriculum standards by grade level and subject areas. These can be posted on your school's Web site
- They'll also have a template for creating future lesson plans and a model for future faculty workshops
- CEU credits — Completion of a Thomson Gale Professional Development Workshop will qualify you for continuing education units. We will provide you with the material necessary to petition for credits

What you'll need

- Your subscription to the *Kids InfoBits* electronic resource
- Lab setting with high-speed Internet access to 20-25 computers
- Special purchase of your state's alphabet book from Sleeping Bear Press for each teacher attending (special discounts available!)

Who should attend?

- K-5 classroom teachers
- Social studies teachers
- Project-based collaborative teams

Funding your workshop

Thomson Gale Professional Development Workshops comply with your state standards for staff development. Your Thomson Gale Representative can assist you in:

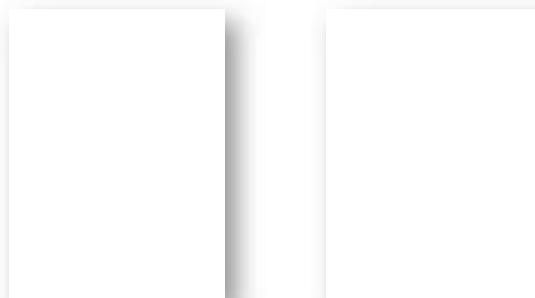
- Locating Title funding
- Identifying potential grant resources
- Making the most of your existing professional development budget

State-specific results

Kids InfoBits targets the research needs of students from kindergarten through grade 5. Teachers use these resources to create grade-specific lesson plans that meet your state's standards in social studies.



Two levels of reading



With each Sleeping Bear Press state book, beginning students enjoy the simple rhyme of a picture book while older children discover facts about each topic letter in the sidebar expository. Fact-filled content helps teachers complete lesson plans that meet state standards.

Special offer

Save more than 40% on Sleeping Bear Press titles that are included in — or ordered during — your Professional Development Workshop.

For further information

For information, pricing and scheduling, please call 1-800-877-4253.