

Product Name: eLibrary Curriculum Edition™ Digital Library Learning Resource

Curriculum Level: Upper elementary grades, middle/junior high schools, and high schools

Product Description: eLibrary—Curriculum Edition contains more than 50 million full-text documents from **7 media types:** 190 books, 1,800 magazines and journals, 200+ newspapers, 5,300 current and historic maps, 1,400,000 photos, thousands of hours of multimedia clips, and over 1,000,000 transcripts (*primary sources*) from government and public and private TV/radio news shows.

In addition, students and teachers can access more than 160,000 **Editor’s Choice** websites that are organized with a curriculum-focused, easy to use topic tree search method. Topic tree searches for websites also provide a bonus of many relevant documents. The **educational value** of eLibrary—CE is that students can easily find a variety of information, both current and historic, without wasting time searching multiple databases, interfaces, and surfing the Internet. Librarians and teachers will have **more time helping students to use the information for reading, writing, and critical thinking** rather than the *frustration of teaching searching and evaluation techniques*.

History Study Center provides more than 500 study units on U.S. and world history back to the age of exploration. These study units combine a variety of websites, maps, photos, biographies, videos, and primary and secondary sources for teachers and students for in-depth learning beyond the textbook.

ProQuest Learning: Literature provides thousand of original works of English language authors back to the Middle Ages. Author biographies, literary criticism, photos, audio readings, and web sites enhance the understanding and appreciation of the poetry, prose, and drama featured in this learning resource.

School Leader Concerns: *Learning Resources for All Students*—**K-6 students** can access more than 50 publications written exclusively for them. Websites, maps, multimedia, and photos provide the *visual learning resources* that most learners need to understand. **Secondary students** can access *Lexile rated* resources if they are having reading difficulty. **AP students** can use the **primary sources** in HSC and PLL to complete AP course work.

Standards-Based Lessons—**Standards Searching** in the new **Teacher Edition** ensures that all lessons and BookCarts are standards-based. *Standards-Based Lesson Activities* support traditional learning with a research component; *210 standards-aligned model BookCarts* that can be easily copied to the school site and used by teachers and students immediately; *Engaging Issues Guide* shows teachers how to use these BookCarts. <http://www.proquestk12.com/pic/downloads/eLibModelBookcarts.xls> (List of 210)

http://www.proquestk12.com/demo/PQBC_CopyingDemo.viewlet/PQBC_CopyingDemo.viewlet.swf.html (How to copy model BookCarts to local site)

Adjusting to Student Reading Ability—Lexile reading scores are provided for all articles. This scientific-based score is used by teachers to search for, mark, and collect *custom* reading resources for students. Teachers can print and copy articles for classroom reading and discussion or they can select these articles and integrate them into BookCarts. Lexiles are recognized by NCLB as a scientific-based tool to measure the degree of difficulty of reading materials and publications.

http://www.proquestk12.com/lsm/sirs/downloads/eLib_Lexiles.ppt

Proven Learning Resource—eLibrary has won many awards for its unique content, ease of use, teacher and student tools, and curriculum focused learning materials.

CIPA and Filtering—Editor’s Choice and teacher favorites websites integrated into BookCarts practically eliminate the need for “surfing the Internet.” This relieves teachers from time wasted in extensive supervision of searching and reduces the discipline problems school leaders may inherit.

State Standards Correlation—Teachers can search directly for resources that are **dynamically correlated to state content standards** and **automatically** populate BookCarts with these custom learning resources.

Professional Development—Free functionality training is available online. Fee-based, in-person, and full-day professional development focuses on **standards-based** learning activities, **higher-order thinking** strategies, and using **digital information literacy** models and skills. ProQuest will train teachers to know how to create, manage, and evaluate mini-research activities that engage students and build *essential skills* (tested by the state) *in reading, writing, and critical thinking*. School leader can build this ongoing training model into their **professional development plan** and offer CEUs.

<http://www.proquestk12.com/pic/pdfs/PDProgram.pdf>

Budget Concerns—eLibrary-CE provides the most comprehensive library learning resource for teachers and students. The purchase of many other redundant **print and digital resources can be eliminated** when a school invests in eLibrary CE. Unlike print resources, students can simultaneously access eLibrary-CE from home 24x7.

Teacher Power:

Custom BookCart Learning Collections—Teachers can **customize learning resources** for students by building them into *BookCarts*. BookCarts can be customized to *Lexile* reading levels and also to student interest. They can be dynamically aligned to *state standards* and include *essential questions for problem solving* to guide student reading, build critical thinking skills, and develop *writing skills so necessary for the new SAT* and state assessments. Students can access these BookCarts from school or at home.

One-Step Researching—Saving student classroom and library searching time is *essential in a 180-day school year*. One search can access 8 different media types including Editor’s Choice websites. Less supervision of student searching means more time to help students get the best resources.

Printing and Copying Resources—Teachers can print and then photocopy a variety of maps, photos, graphs, and articles for classroom activities, especially current events, to enrich textbook learning and more easily connect students to their current world.

Online Curriculum Resources and Tutorials—Engaging Issues, 210 ProQuest model BookCarts, mini-research guides, SBLAs, and “how to” tutorials provide immediate support for teachers and students to the benefits of eLibrary CE.

<http://www.proquestk12.com>

Unique Teacher Professional Development Training—Teachers will learn how create, manage, and evaluate engaging mini-research activities that are **plagiarism resistant, standards-based,** and increase student **subject knowledge** and **essential skills**. Most teachers need this support if they are to successfully integrate technology, the Internet, and **digital information literacy** into their teaching strategies and assignments.

Copyright Concerns—All articles, photos, and maps can be legally printed and photocopied for classroom reading, discussion, and other activities. Graphics and multimedia can be integrated into teacher PowerPoint presentations.

Professional Library—Teachers can browse hundreds of current publications in their field or in education to stay current—a virtual home and school professional library

<http://www.proquestk12.com/pic/pdfs/eLibContentBYSubject.pdf>

Student Tools:

Spell Check—The frustration of not finding information usually begins with misspelling the key words. Spell checking makes Google popular and so will it help eLibrary CE to be more student-friendly as well as increasing relevancy of results.

Reading with Understanding—Students are a click away from better understanding of what they read when they use the *Reference* tool. Integrated dictionaries, thesaurus, almanacs, and encyclopedias provide the instant reading support and vocabulary building that raises student achievement.

Citation Support—All resources include citations automatically when printed, saved or emailed. Mini-research models make citing sources easier and save time for students and teachers.

Beats Surfing and Googling—160,000 Editor’s Choice websites using Topic Tree.

<http://www.proquestk12.com/lsm/pqelib/pdfs/elibgooglecompare.pdf>.

AP Course Support—More students are taking AP courses. All these courses require research activities using **primary sources**. eLibrary CE provides these resources in **History Study Center**, and **ProQuest Learning: Literature**, saving student time.

My List—Students can select the best resources from their search results by adding these to **My List**. This list can be printed, saved, or emailed to home computers. My List includes citations.

Email—Students can email selected resources from school to home or from home to school (if available) to expedite their work on research activities.

Context-Sensitive Help—When students click Help, eLibrary-CE knows what operation they are involved in and provides help specific to that need.

NCLB Connections: Lexile Reading Level Search—NCLB requires learning resources to demonstrate proof of scientific effectiveness. Searches can be made, and the Results List can be sorted by Lexile reading level. Lexiles are based on scientific research of the learning to read process.

Standards Correlation—Teachers can automatically create BookCarts that are dynamically correlated to state *content standards*. Mini-research guides help teachers to also correlate activities to *state essential skills standards*.

Custom Learning Resources—Teacher created BookCart learning resources can be customized to *Lexile reading levels*, *state standards*, *critical thinking* activities, and student interest. Multimedia helps disadvantaged students to learn better visually.

English-Spanish Dictionary—Help with understanding for ELL students is provided with this integrated reference tool. (Coming 2/05)

Technology Integration – Every mini-research activity requires the student and the teacher to use technology from searching to the final phase of report/presentation.

Professional Development – NCLB Titles I through V all include teacher training that is focused on empowering teachers to improve student reading, writing, and critical thinking. All schools must conduct professional development activities to meet state professional development plans. The new ProQuest model provides this essential in-person and hand-on training.

Curriculum Resources:

Anti-Plagiarism Guide: (Models and strategies that teachers use to create activities that require critical thinking, original thought, and problem solving)
<http://www.proquestk12.com/lsm/pqelib/pdfs/antiplagguide.pdf>

Standards-Based Learning Activities: (42 eLibrary--CE SBLAs for English Language Arts, Science, Social Studies, and Math supporting teachers in K-5, MS, and HS and librarian collaboration with teachers) <http://www.proquestk12.com/curr/elibrary.shtml>

Parent Homework Guide: (Parent guide to home access and use of eLibrary--CE)
<http://www.proquestk12.com/pic/pdfs/ParentGuideHomeUseofeLibrary.pdf>

210 ProQuest Model BookCarts List:
<http://www.proquestk12.com/pic/downloads/eLibModelBookcarts.xls>

BookCart Copying and Creating: (Provides a step-by-step demonstration on copying (recommended) and creating BookCarts—use with listing above)
http://www.proquestk12.com/demo/PQBC_CopyingDemo.viewlet/PQBC_CopyingDemo_viewlet.swf.html (viewlet)

Engaging Issues BookCart Guide: (90 engaging issues for critical thinking and student min-research correlated with 90 correlated BookCarts – see BookCart list above)
<http://www.proquestk12.com/pic/pdfs/engageissuesbcguide.pdf>

Leader Priorities:

- Internet? Is the time spent searching worth the results?
2. Do other digital of information sources provided by the school (Google, state database, Gale, EBSCO) contain a spell checker, BookCarts, Lexiles, standards-correlated resources, and professional development?
 3. Are you aware of the proven impact of frequent student research activities on increasing essential skills that are the same skills measured on state assessments?
 4. What is your school doing to correlate student research activities and other instruction to your state standards, and how easy is this for them?
 5. How do your students and teachers integrate the library’s electronic learning resources into instruction, how often, and in what subject areas?
 6. How do teachers select and customize library learning resources for their classes and how do they integrate current events into instruction and research?

Student Tools to Increase Achievement	Teacher Tools to Increase Effectiveness
<p>Spell Check to Increase Relevancy Reduce Frustration To the Best Part to Save Class Time When Browsing Boolean Calculator/Advanced Search for Best Results BookCarts to Ensure Quality Results and Save Class Time My List for Efficient Saving, Printing, and Emailing Reference Tool to Increase Understanding and Interest Sort Results By Ensures Currency of Results and More Appropriate Lexile Reading Level One-Step Access to 8 Media Types Including Websites Home, School , or Community Center Access</p>	<p>ProQuest Collection of 210 BookCarts and Guides to Copy BookCart Editor to Create Teacher BookCart Collection Lexile Reading Scores to Adjust Content to Student Ability Curriculum Guides to the Unique Mini-Research Process Online and In-Person Training Standards Searching to Build Standards-Based BookCarts Professional Library to Support Grad Course Research Assignments and School In-Service Programs Subject Area Publications to Browse and Stay Current Work from Home or School</p>