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Recorded Books Partners with ePrep, Inc. to Offer Online Video-Based Study Programs

Prince Frederick, MD, September 17, 2009—Recorded Books, the world's premier publisher of unabridged audiobooks and a Hights Cross Communications company, has partnered with ePrep, Inc., to launch a new library version of ePrep's revolutionary suite of online video-based study programs. This partnership will allow libraries to offer patrons the opportunity to improve SAT, ACT, and PSAT scores without paying the excessive fees associated with private tutoring or classroom courses. With over 90 percent of college-bound students taking either the SAT or ACT each year, earning high scores has never been more important. SAT and ACT scores are not only critical in gaining admission to college, but also in qualifying for attractive merit-based scholarships.

Successfully using expert instructors, ePrep delivers a differentiated learning experience that students can access during school hours or at home. Using a proprietary video delivery platform that replicates the private tutor experience, ePrep makes test preparation easy. "We're pleased to deliver a product to libraries that will aid students in preparing for one of the most important tests they'll ever take," said Jim Schmidt, Vice President of Product Development at Recorded Books.

All of ePrep's study programs employ the proven practice-grade-review cycle of learning: Students take practice tests under timed conditions, have them graded online, and immediately launch into video reviews. ePrep's Study Hall tracks student progress throughout each course and guides remedial efforts, while WordSmith encourages vocabulary building. A Parent Center allows parents to track student progress non-intrusively, while ePrep's Study Scheduler helps students stay on track. "With multiple ways to use ePrep's software, schools can encourage students to take ownership of their test prep experience like never before," adds Schmidt.

Details on ePrep's video test preparation service can be found at www.recordedbooks.com/eprep or at your local library.

About ePrep

Founded by Princeton University graduates Karl Schellscheidt and Eric Barnes in 2005, ePrep has its roots in more than 20 years of teaching and professional tutoring experience. ePrep's goal is to help students of all ability levels reach their educational potential by offering expert instruction that is engaging and convenient. Centered on the proven methodology of a test-grade-review cycle, ePrep's instructional video platform delivers personal, highly-effective, and expert instruction.

About Recorded Books:

Recorded Books, LLC, a Hights Cross Communications company, produces and distributes unabridged audiobooks and other audio products to public and university libraries and schools on CD, cassette and Playaway digital player. Over 9,000 titles are available for adults, children, and young adults in English and Spanish languages narrated by professional, award-winning actors. Recorded Books also distributes music, educational lectures, independent films, and nonfiction films on DVD. Packaging is designed for high circulation. One-year warranty, cataloging, processing, and free MARC records are available. For more information, visit www.recordedbooks.com.

About Hights Cross Communications:

Founded in 1997 and based in White Plains, NY, Hights Cross Communications is a premier educational and library publisher dedicated to creating the finest books, audio products, periodicals, software and online services, serving the following markets: K-12 supplemental education, public and school libraries, and consumers. Hights Cross companies include: Triumph Learning, Buckle Down Publishing and Options Publishing, and Recorded Books. For more information, visit www.hightscross.com. Triumph Learning is HCC's test-preparation and intervention business and is comprised of its *Coach*, *Buckle Down*, and *Options* brands. Recorded Books is a leading publisher of unabridged audiobooks and other audio media for libraries, schools, and consumers, with operations in the U.S., U.K. and Australia.

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