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TRIUMPH LEARNING INTRODUCES NEW CRCT *COACH*[™] *SOFTWARE* FOR GEORGIA STUDENT TEST PREPARATION

User-Friendly *Coach*[™] *Software* CD-ROMs for Reading and Math Are Powerful Supplements to Industry-Leading *Coach*[™] Books for Georgia Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests (CRCT) Preparation

New York, NY, February 10, 2004 – Triumph Learning, Inc., a leading publisher of supplementary educational texts and software and a Hights Cross Communications company, has introduced Georgia CRCT *Coach*[™] *Software* for reading and mathematics, grades 3-8. The new CRCT *Coach*[™] *Software* is available immediately.

Kevin McAliley, Triumph Learning's president and chief executive officer, said: "Triumph Learning is proud to introduce our latest *Coach*[™] *Software*. *Coach*[™] *Software* builds on the outstanding, long-time success of the extensive portfolio of *Coach*[™] state test preparation books. This introduction of *Coach*[™] *Software* for Georgia CRCT preparation follows software recently introduced for Pennsylvania PSSA and Texas TAKS preparation; and software for additional states will be released in 2004. Initial response by teachers, test coordinators, and students in Georgia has been overwhelmingly positive and pre-publication orders are strong."

Triumph Learning said that the new CRCT *Coach*[™] CD-ROM software features:

- Content that is fully aligned with the Georgia Quality Core Curriculum (QCC) Standards
- Three tests modeled after the current CRCT
- Questions based on CRCT items and carefully correlated to QCC Standards
- Automatic test grading upon completion of a test

- Feedback on each question/response, including explanations of correct and incorrect answers
- Correlation of test questions to CRCT *Coach*™ books for specific instruction and practice
- Individual student reports that provide a remediation plan for a personalized learning path
- Invaluable companion Teacher Tools will also be available on Triumphlearning.com in early 2004: Competency Analysis Charts and a “Report Assistant” that aggregates student data

Jane Fisher, Triumph vice president of marketing, noted that: “As in Pennsylvania and Texas, early reviewers of Triumph’s Georgia CRCT *Coach*™ Software – including Georgia school district test coordinators and curriculum supervisors -- are impressed with the software’s ease of use in terms of teachers being able to set up a testing session easily and children being able to navigate quickly through the screens. Feedback also indicates that the CRCT *Coach*™ Software’s ability to link each question with both QCC Standards and specific references in *Coach*™ books is invaluable.”

School districts can obtain review samples of and additional information about the CRCT *Coach*™ Software by calling Triumph at 800-221-9372, or visiting www.triumphlearning.com.

About Triumph Learning, LLC:

Triumph Learning, formerly known as Educational Design, Inc., has a 40-year track record of publishing high-quality K-12 supplemental materials. Triumph Learning is the largest publisher of test preparation materials for state tests, and develops and distributes the renowned *Coach*™ series for test programs in 22 states, as well as for the three major nationally normed tests. For more information, visit www.triumphlearning.com

About Hights Cross Communications:

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