



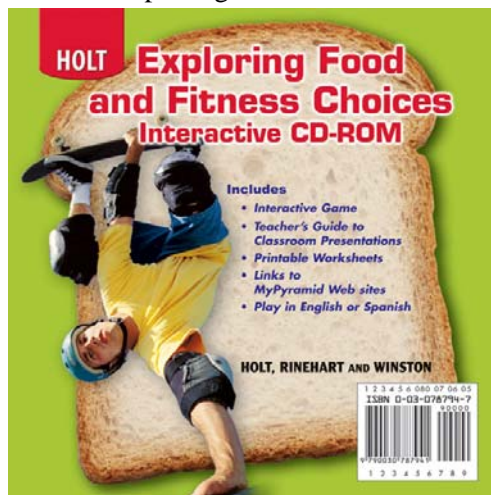
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Interactive Health Curriculum from Holt, Rinehart and Winston Wins Gold in Summit Creative Awards

AUSTIN, Texas. – May 17, 2006 — An interactive computer program teaching healthy food choices published by Holt, Rinehart and Winston (www.hrw.com) was honored recently with a Gold Award in the 2006 Summit Creative Awards. The winning product, Exploring Food and Fitness Choices, was selected from thousands of entries as the best product in the Children’s Interactive Media category.

Exploring Food and Fitness Choices is a CD-ROM program based on the USDA’s MyPyramid



Guidelines that teaches middle and high school-age children to make good decisions regarding nutrition and physical activity through a videogame-like experience. The program is designed for a single user but it can also be used as a classroom presentation tool which extends its use for teachers. Children take on the role of a personal health consultant for a client of their choice and plan a multi-day menu of food items and exercise based on that client’s physical makeup and activity level. The program is graphically appealing and includes many “teachable moments” where the user learns

from their good and bad choices.

“Our creative team of educators, designers and developers designed a wonderful product that is well-deserving of the Summit Award,” said Allen Wheatcroft, president of Holt. “Exploring Food and Fitness Choices gives children an engaging way to experience how choices they make affect their health. This exploratory and interactive format helps them learn that they are active participants in their own healthy lifestyles.”

The 12th Annual International Summit Creative Awards (www.summitawards.com) are recognized worldwide as the industry’s most prestigious awards exclusively for works created by small and mid-size companies and firms. Twenty-six countries were represented in this year’s program. Gold and silver medal winners were selected in various categories from marketing communications and education.

The software for the Exploring Food and Fitness Choices CD-ROM was developed by Fusion Learning Systems, Inc. in conjunction with Holt, Rinehart and Winston.

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