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## **‘Unique Reader’ and ‘Unique Math’ Unite Assessment with Instructional Activities to Improve Student Achievement**

*Curriculum Associates combines interactive tutorials with DORA and DOMA to provide supplemental instruction in reading and math*

NORTH BILLERICA, Mass., January 22, 2009—Curriculum Associates, a leading publisher of research-based supplemental curriculum materials and tools for today’s diverse classrooms, launches Unique Reader and Unique Math as extensions to DORA—Diagnostic Online Reading Assessment and DOMA—Diagnostic Online Math Assessment—providing interactive tutorials and activities to students. After students are assessed with DORA or DOMA and deficiencies in knowledge are defined, Unique Reader and Unique Math tailor activities in those key content areas to improve student performance in reading and math.

“The DORA and DOMA assessments, developed by Let’s Go Learn<sup>®</sup>, are powerful tools that diagnose students’ gaps in knowledge and allow teachers to create differentiated instruction for student learning,” said Rob Waldron, president and COO of Curriculum Associates. “We wanted to create instructional programs that would take these assessments to the next level and provide focused tutorials, rich with content, to help improve test scores and student performance in both reading and math. Unique Reader and Unique Math truly target instruction where individual students need it the most.”

### **Unique Reader**

After the initial DORA assessment, Unique Reader provides comprehensive targeted instruction and progress monitoring for students in grades K–12. Unique Reader for elementary addresses critical reading skills and delivers four tracks of recommended instruction—sight words, phonics, vocabulary, and comprehension—based on diagnostic results. With more than 1,000 tutorials and activities for grades K–5, Unique Reader tailors supplemental instruction for each student automatically while teaching skills aligned to national and state standards.

Additionally, the program enables teachers to monitor lesson plans and student progress, allowing them to adapt or update the lessons as necessary to ensure students make gains in reading.

Unique Reader Secondary is available for students in grades 5–12 and provides 50 step-by-step lessons containing contemporary graphics, video, and music. Also featuring the DORA reading assessment, Unique Reader Secondary includes supplemental reading passages with expository, narrative, and functional writing and provides students practice with Venn diagrams, flow charts, and content clues. The program supports English Language Learners as well by providing instruction with root words and idioms.

### **Unique Math**

Unique Math features the DOMA Basic Math Skills assessment, plus more than 1,200 tutorials and activities focusing on numbers and operations, fractions, and measurement for students in grades K–6. After the initial online assessment, Unique Math transitions students to tailored, supplemental instruction aligned with national and state standards. Students are guided through sample problems one at a time and through instruction, guided practice, independent practice, and games are able to apply the skills they learn. Unique Math features include teacher monitoring, multimedia lessons, password-protection, and interactive resources, including a dictionary to build math literacy.

Pre-Algebra Pathways is available for students in grades 7+ and features the DOMA Pre-Algebra Skills assessment plus more than 200 tutorials, exercises, and activities in 14 pre-algebra constructs. The self-paced format of the program allows students to work at their own learning speed. End-of-lesson assessments are implemented to monitor student progress throughout the Pre-Algebra Pathways program.

### **Availability and Pricing**

Unique Reader and Unique Math are available now. One-year subscriptions for Unique Reader or Unique Math begin at \$45.00 per student. Volume discounts also apply. To purchase Unique Reader and/or Unique Math and for complete price listings, visit [www.cainc.com](http://www.cainc.com).

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