



Inspiration Software's Family of Visual Learning Tools Grows Honors From Education Software Review Awards to 27 With Announcement of 2010 Winners

Inspiration 9, Kidspiration 3 and InspireData 1.5 Again Named to List of the Year's Best Educational Software

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Inspiration® Software, Inc.'s, family of visual learning software tools has once again been honored by the Education Software Review Awards (EDDIE) from ComputED Learning Center, San Diego's leading computer education resource. Inspiration® 9, Kidspiration® 3 and InspireData® 1.5 were all named to the Center's 15th annual list of the year's best educational software products. This marks the 15th EDDIE Award for Inspiration, the ninth for Kidspiration and the third for InspireData.

The EDDIE Awards target innovative and content-rich programs and websites that augment classroom curriculum and improve teacher productivity, providing parents and teachers with the technology to foster educational excellence. Selection criteria include academic content, potential for broad classroom use, technical merit, subject approach and management system. Winners are selected from titles submitted by publishers from around the world.

"Having our family of visual learning software tools recognized as the best of the year by the EDDIE Awards 27 times during the life of the awards program is an awesome honor," said Mona Westhaver, president and co-founder, Inspiration Software. "This significant level of recognition reinforces our core belief that the critical thinking skills that students develop through visual learning instructional strategies are key for 21st century success and support student achievement across the curriculum."

The 15th Annual EDDIE Awards honored Kidspiration 3 in the "Thinking Skills" category for early elementary students. Kidspiration, [visual learning software for students in kindergarten through grade 5](#), supports young learners as they strengthen reading and writing skills, build conceptual understanding in math, and develop thinking skills across the curriculum. Kidspiration 3 has earned more than 20 awards from the education, technology and parenting communities since its debut in January 2008.

Inspiration 9, the [ultimate thinking and learning tool to comprehend, create, communicate and achieve more](#), adds an EDDIE Award for best software in the "Thinking Skills" category for high school students to the growing list of honors it has earned since its launch in January 2010.

New capabilities in Inspiration 9, such as support for creating presentations and additional visual learning methodologies, provide an essential framework for thinking and help students develop reading, writing, organization, comprehension and oral communication skills.

InspireData 1.5, [the visual way to explore and understand data](#), earned its EDDIE award in the "Data Exploration" category for upper elementary students. Students grades 4 to 12 use InspireData to investigate, analyze and represent data and information in dynamic graphs and charts.

For more information about Inspiration Software's family of visual learning tools, go to <http://www.inspiration.com>, "like" the company on [Facebook](#) or follow @InspirationSW on [Twitter](#). In addition, educators can connect and share their passion for learning strategies and education on Inspiration Software's blog, [Thinkspiration™](#).

About Inspiration Software, Inc.

Recognized as the leader in visual thinking and learning, Inspiration Software, Inc.'s award-winning software tools, Inspiration, Kidspiration and InspireData, are based on proven visual learning methodologies that help students think, learn and achieve. With the powerful combination of visual learning and technology, students in grades K-12 learn to clarify thoughts, organize and analyze information, integrate new knowledge and think critically. Founded more than 25 years ago by Donald Helfgott and Mona Westhaver, the company's visual learning software tools are used today by more than 25 million students and teachers worldwide.