

AN ADVANCED RESOURCE FOR ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES: *GLOBAL ISSUES IN CONTEXT*

Global Issues **IN CONTEXT** Perspectives on International News and Events

To excel in Advanced Placement courses, students need to be able to do more than memorize facts.

They need to be able to seamlessly apply their classroom knowledge to real world issues. *Global Issues in Context* is a resource designed to support the development of global awareness, critical thinking and information literacy skills. These skills are essential to success in the AP classroom and are the foundation of Gale's most global resource.



AP Macroeconomics

- 12-18% of the AP test in this area focuses on market failure and the role of government. (Source: 2008 Course Description from College Board)
- *Global Issues in Context* can help your students succeed with extensive content on public vs. private goods, public policy to promote competition, and a wealth of official statistics covering income distribution to Gross Domestic Product.

AP Government & Politics: Comparative

- 10-20% of the AP test in this area focuses on Political Parties, Interest Groups, and Mass Media. (Source: 2008 Course Description from College Board)
- *Global Issues in Context* makes comparing the players in political systems around the world easy and fun. Each of the 250 country pages list major political parties in that country. Additionally, students can view and listen to examples from broadcast media around the globe and judge for themselves the role and effect that each organization has.

AP Environmental Science

- 10-15% of the AP test in this area focuses on Population. (Source: 2008 Course Description from College Board)
- *Global Issues in Context* can help you bring concrete examples of how the human population is affecting the environment into the classroom. The database offers hundreds of issue pages that cover everything from the effects of urbanization to transborder air pollution. *Global Issues in Context* also has extensive coverage of alternative and sustainable energy, which is a core environmental science topic.

Opportunities for Students to Get Involved

- Portal pages include links to the websites of organizations such as Rock the Vote, Amnesty International, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), and Greenpeace—all designed to encourage civic involvement at both the national and global level.