

# GLCEs??

**3rd** and **4th** grade teachers have been wondering how to best incorporate the new social studies Grade Level Content Expectations into your classrooms. Michigan Studies is new to most 3rd grade teachers. Hillsdale Educational has been working day and night to provide new materials. Our new textbook, **MEET MICHIGAN**, has been designed just for you.

Even though the textbook is complete, we are still working on other parts of the program. The assessments are just off the press and we are starting the audio edition. Additional components, such as student activities and a more detailed printed teacher's edition, will be ready for the fall.

Our goal in all of this is to make social studies and learning about Michigan exciting and educational for teachers and students alike! We have focused on making everything highly readable.

Officially, Michigan Studies has been split between 3rd and 4th grades. A number of educators feel they want to put all of Michigan Studies into the 3rd grade. They believe the 4th grade teachers have enough to cover as they focus on the United States. The 3rd grade GLCES jump from statehood to the present leaving students without a full understanding of how we got to where we are today. Therefore, **Meet Michigan** includes all of the Michigan related GLCEs from both grades. The 4th grade Michigan history GLCEs are nestled into chapter 5.

We have not developed a new book for the 4th grade, but will continue to monitor the situation with regard to that grade. If you have ideas that you want us to explore, please let us know. Meeting your needs is what we want to do!

We have reviewed all the existing trade books and supplemental materials to see what will work best for 3rd grade teachers and 4th grade teachers. You will see these on the rest of our web site. We think we have a good list, but some items may work better than others. Until now, no one has been seriously developing Michigan supplementals for 3rd grade students.

**Trying to tame those GLCEs? Call us and we will certainly try to help you.**

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