Middle school students are developing the research and critical thinking skills that will carry them through their lives. *Global Issues in Context* supports their growing research needs and interest in the world around them. *Global Issues in Context* is a resource designed to support the development of global awareness, critical thinking and information literacy skills. *Global Issues in Context* offers international viewpoints on a broad spectrum of global issues, topics, and current events that match the middle school curriculum.

*Global Issues in Context offers:*
- 250 issue pages with balanced coverage of topics studied in the middle school classroom
- Background information and explanations of the impact of issues and events
- 190+ country pages exploring the social, political, economic and geographic aspects that define each nation
- Rich multimedia including podcasts, video, and interactive graphs
- Standards-based support for middle school learners (*Global Issues in Context* aligns with the Partnership for 21st Century Skills framework as well as your local state standards)
- Expert local commentaries provide valuable context for hundreds of periodical articles.

**Resources for Middle School Teachers**

*Global Issues in Context* includes a Toolbox for Teachers that includes resources on teaching students to:
- Judge the source and credibility of information
- Read and interpret graphs
- Cite sources
- Build arguments
- Organize reports
- Write thesis statements
- Create visual representations of data
- Use primary sources
- Make a concept web
- Develop critical thinking skills