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### **COSMEO Helps Students Transition Back to School with Easy-to-Digest Homework Help, Interactive Games and Educational Video Clips that Reinforce Learning**

*New Features Coming This Fall Include Expanded Textbook-Aligned Content, Enhanced Reference Resources, and More Dynamic Videos, Including Discovery Channel's MythBusters*

**Silver Spring, MD (Sept. 18, 2006)** – As students return to school this fall, the inevitable pressure of homework assignments will have many of them asking parents and searching the web for homework help. Discovery Education's COSMEO, the most comprehensive online homework help service for K-12 students, makes it easy for students and their parents to do homework, study for a test, or start a school project.

COSMEO, which is correlated to grade level and state curriculum standards, provides homework help for all key subject areas – science, math, social studies, English, health, art and music – and includes more than 30,000 teacher-approved video clips that make complex topics more interesting to investigate and easier to understand. The homework help subscription service, available at [www.cosmeo.com](http://www.cosmeo.com), also provides more than 15,000 interactive quizzes; 20,000 high-resolution images and clip art; hundreds of interactive brain games; online reference materials and more. And coming soon, users will find content that directly matches topics covered in the most widely-used math and science textbooks, and later this fall, social studies textbooks.

Since its launch in March 2006, COSMEO has added many new features. Those coming this fall include:

- Textbook-aligned video content for the most widely used science and social studies textbooks, and content aligned to every page of top math textbooks.
- A comprehensive reference center complete with Merriam Webster's online dictionary, the Columbia Encyclopedia, almanacs, and periodicals.
- 5,000 new educational video clips, including Discovery exclusive educational video vignettes tied to upcoming Discovery Networks programs, including Discovery Channel's **DISCOVERY ATLAS** and **MYTHBUSTERS**, and Discovery Kids Channel's **YEAR ON EARTH**.
- Compelling new brain games, including an interactive periodic table of elements, Pendemonium grammar games, and the COSMEO Music Academy.
- Instant polls that allow kids to share important facts, figures and kids opinions.

“Our goal is to provide the ultimate online learning experience for K-12 students and their families,” said Melanie Bowen, executive vice president of Home Services for Discovery Education. “We’ve added many engaging, fun new resources to help students with their homework and reinforce what they are learning in the classroom.”

### **About Discovery Education**

Discovery Education is a division of Discovery Communications, the leading global real-world and knowledge-based media company. The leader in digital video-based learning, Discovery Education produces and distributes high-quality digital video content in easy-to-use formats, in all core-curricular subject areas. Its award-winning digital learning resources are available to 30 million students across the United States. Discovery Education is committed to creating scientifically proven, standards-based digital resources for teachers, students, and parents. Through strategic partnerships with 25 public television stations across the country, its public service initiatives, products, and joint business ventures, Discovery Education helps educators around the world harness the power of broadband and media to connect their students to a world of learning. For more information, visit [www.discoveryeducation.com](http://www.discoveryeducation.com).

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