MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. – Sept. 17, 2014 – Learning magazine has named two Capstone Professional titles among the winners of its prestigious 2015 Teachers’ Choice Awards for Professional Development. The awards honor products of exceptional quality and performance with entries judged by a panel of experienced preK-8 teachers who test products in the classroom setting to evaluate their effectiveness.

Capstone Professional’s winning titles include:

- **Kindergarten and the Common Core: It's as Easy as ABC!** by Kathy Brown and Sarah Martino provides practical routines and developmentally appropriate activities that foster an environment where the youngest learners can thrive in mastering core kindergarten content along with the Common Core standards.

- **Writing Strategies for the Common Core: Integrating Reading Comprehension into the Writing Process, Grades 6-8** by Hillary Wolfe offers core instruction, teaching strategies, and mini-lessons on explanatory/informational, argument, and narrative text types to ensure student success.

“The Teachers’ Choice Award is a very prestigious award, and it’s a great honor to be recognized by teachers in the field. We are proud of our authors and the work they do to support students. The books are filled with solid strategies, and we’re delighted to hear that these titles have helped teachers,” said Capstone Professional Acquisitions Editor Karen Soll.

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**About Capstone Professional**

Capstone Professional publishes educational resources under the imprint of Maupin House. Their materials support K-12 educators as they create 21st century classrooms and respond to the demands of state and national standards, such as the Common Core Standards for English Language Arts and the Next Generation Science Standards. Capstone Professional focuses on topics such as reading comprehension, close reading, writing in the content areas, teaching with graphics in the classroom, and creating safe school environments. Capstone Professional authors are educators and consultants, teachers and experts in their fields. A tenet for Capstone Professional is to support teachers, administrators, content-area specialists, students, and parents in becoming engaged in content and excited about learning. Professional development offerings by Capstone Professional range from webinars and workshops to conference speakers and author visits. Submissions for products that speak to the needs of educators today are always accepted. For more information, visit [www.maupinhouse.com](http://www.maupinhouse.com) or [www.capstoneclassroom.com](http://www.capstoneclassroom.com).