

Customer Resource Center *We're here to WOW you!*

For some folks, the words "customer service" have taken on a negative image as companies in recent years have moved away from serving the customer to selling the customer. At the Gale Group, we're working to change that image as well as the experience itself.

Our first order of business was the name — it had to convey that this is the place to go for answers, a willing ear, a friendly voice that assures "we'll look into it" (and then do so). The result: Customer Resource Center.

The Gale Group tested the concept by sending a Customer Resource Center Representative to the annual American Library Association show, equipping her with a

live link to our business system. It's unusual to have a person at a trade show for the sole purpose of simply serving customers. The Customer Resource Center Representative was "wowed" by the positive response she received from customers she was able to help at the show.

Now it's our turn to "WOW" you, and the first step to doing that is finding out in a little more detail what you think of how we're doing. Please take the time to fill out this brief survey (or fill out the form online at www.galegroup.com; click on Customer Service.) We promise that we'll give your comments and concerns the attention they deserve. Until then, thank you for your business. ●

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Gale Group Welcomes K.G. Saur Verlag

In September the Gale Group acquired K.G. Saur Verlag, a Munich-based publisher specializing in arts and humanities, biography and social science reference information for libraries. The company was founded more than 50 years ago, and with offices in Munich and Leipzig, Germany and Berne, Switzerland, it publishes nearly 2,000 titles in print, microform and electronic formats.

Gale Group CEO Allen Paschal said that "K.G. Saur is a perfect fit with Gale Group's growth strategy and publishing program," noting that Saur's databases will play an important role in Gale's Online Resource Center development.

The Gale Group anticipates that this new relationship will be dynamic, and we're enthusiastic about the possibilities this opens up for our e-reference publishing for libraries and businesses.

K.G. Saur Managing Director Klaus Saur noted that the acquisition marks "a great opportunity for growth with a company that shares our passion for creating quality information products for library and educational institutions worldwide." We couldn't agree more. ●

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- *Encyclopedia of the U.S. in the 19th Century*
- *Encyclopedia of European Social History*

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- *Encyclopedia of Sociology*, 2nd Ed.
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- Vol. 6: *William Faulkner*
- Vol. 7: *Theodore Dreiser*
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- Vol. 9: *Maxine Hong Kingston*

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- Vol. 1: *The Social Novel*
- Vol. 2: *Hemingway and the Expatriate Modernist Movement*
- Vol. 3: *Hard-Boiled Fiction*
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- Vol. 3: *The Maltese Falcon*
- Vol. 4: *Song of Solomon*
- Vol. 5: *One Hundred Years of Solitude*
- Vol. 6: *The Sound and the Fury*
- Vol. 7: *Sister Carrie*
- Vol. 8: *The Stranger*
- Vol. 9: *The Woman Warrior*

Concise Dictionary of World Literary Biography

History in Dispute

- Vol. 1. *The Cold War, First Series Pursuit of Liberty*
- Vol. 3. *American Social and Political Movements, 1900-1945: Pursuit of Progress*
- Vol. 4. *World War II, 1939-1942*
- Vol. 5. *World War II, 1942-1945*

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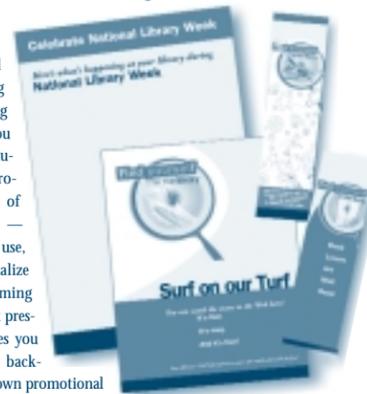
Find Yourself in the Library Gale Group and Library Advocacy

As a long-term library advocate, the Gale Group continues its mission to spotlight the importance of libraries and librarians in our communities and schools. Launched in September, our new program "Find Yourself in the Library" at www.galegroup.com/freestuff helps you reach out to your library community with easy-to-download free ideas, tools and materials:

- **"Surf on Our Turf"** — this flier tells patrons they can access the Web for free in your library
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Customer Satisfaction Survey

We at the Gale Group are committed to our customer's satisfaction. Your feedback helps us to provide the level of service you have a right to expect! Thank you for taking the time to provide us with your response. You can also visit our web site at http://www.galegroup.com/cust_serv/index.htm and complete this survey online.

1) Overall how would you describe your satisfaction with the Gale Group as a publisher? On a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being very dissatisfied, and 5 being very satisfied, please circle your response below.

1 2 3 4 5

2) Regarding the products that are available from the Gale Group, how would you rate them on the following attributes? Again, with 1 being very dissatisfied, and 5 being very satisfied.

	For Print:					For Electronic:					For Microform				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Overall rating?															
Quality?															
Value for Price?															

3) Relative to other vendors you work with, please rate how easy or difficult it is to do business with the Gale Group. (1 being very difficult and 5 being very easy)

1 2 3 4 5

4) Have you been contacted by a sales representative of the Gale Group within the last 12 months?

Yes No

5) If yes, how would you describe your overall satisfaction with this sales experience. (1 being very dissatisfied, and 5 being very satisfied)

1 2 3 4 5

6) Have you contacted the Gale Group within the last 12 months?

Yes No

7) If yes, what was the nature of your contact? (Please check all that apply)

- Customer Service (i.e. billing questions, account status, product delivery questions)
- Sales Representative (i.e. placing an order, renewing, or product information)
- Technical Support (i.e. accessing electronic products, search assistance)
- Other, please specify below

8) Please rate your overall satisfaction with the experiences that apply to you: (1 being very dissatisfied, and 5 being very satisfied)

	1	2	3	4	5
Customer Service					
Sales					
Technical Support					
Other					

9) How likely are you to again purchase products directly from the Gale Group within the next year? (Circle One)

Very Unlikely Somewhat Unlikely Somewhat Likely Likely Very Likely

1 2 3 4 5

10) Finally, we would love your feedback. What are we doing right, what could we improve upon? Or, elaborate on any question. Thank You.

11) Please check the category that best describes your organization:

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit |
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New Usage Reports make online products better than ever

The Gale Group is nearing completion on a major project to make our electronic product usage reports fully compliant with the guidelines established by the International Coalition of Library Consortia (ICOLC).

New features — already up and running — include:

- Ability to capture and report on *InfoTrac*® searches
- Ability to view usage reports online
- Enhanced delivery of usage reports as e-mail attachments
- Revised glossary and online help files

Coming soon: reports that support the needs of consortia and multiple location library systems.

All of the familiar reporting features are still there:

- Database usage summaries
- Total session time
- Total connect time
- Average session time
- View totals and by database
- Usage by specific journal titles
- And much more

To receive direct notification when the next features are released, send an e-mail to: technicalsupport@galegroup.com. In the subject line write "Add Me to Technical Contact List." In the body of the e-mail, please list your name, title and organization.

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