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Scotland contains a number of publishers who produce learning materials as part of a wider mission. The Royal Botanic Garden in Edinburgh, for example, has published *Maisie's Botanic Activity Book* in the course of its role in educating children about the world of plants. The National Museums of Scotland produces a wealth of material relating to its diverse collections, much of which is broadly educational in nature. RCAHMS (Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland) rivals any university press in the books it produces within its specialist field while its incorporation of SCRAN (Scottish Cultural Resources Access Network) has resulted in its administration of the major database of educational materials in Scotland.

However, the term 'educational publishing' more properly covers those firms devoted to school textbooks and ancillary materials. Hodder Gibson (part of the larger Hachette group) benefits from the resources of its parent company in being able to offer online as well as print resources. Leckie and Leckie (part of a grouping within Harper Collins that includes Letts publications) also provides a range of materials that can draw on the wider assets of its parent company. Bright Red, Education Publisher of the Year in both 2010 and 2011, remains independent and has extended its list to include a large number of revision guides to cover the changing secondary school curriculum.



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