



## SKILLCHOICE™

Comprehensive solution for maximum business impact

“For companies that are serious about reducing cost and establishing an insurmountable competitive advantage of making the right decisions at the right time, making relevant information available to key employees is not an option, it’s an imperative.”

CUSHING ANDERSON  
IDC Research Report

Corporations are working to ensure that learning is aligned with business objectives and is meaningful for a diverse array of employees, with varying interests and needs. A strong culture of learning that is tied to your corporate objectives means that learning becomes the connective tissue between the high-level business mission and the employees charged with carrying it out.

### **Learning strategy that drives business results**

Employees need to rapidly develop skills across a wide range of business and technology subjects, and need

instant access to learning resources that can be trusted. Organizations need a learning solution that can meet the needs of all parts of the organization; can easily blend learning initiatives to tie in with corporate strategy and objectives; and can effectively balance with corporate IT infrastructure. SkillChoice™ learning solutions are designed to do exactly that.

SkillChoice solutions offer a vast array of learning options with instant access to thousands of learning assets. Whether it’s solving an immediate IT need or building a well-rounded set of general business skills, SkillChoice

# Simple choices. A world of learning.

## SkillChoice

### SkillChoice Complete

The most comprehensive solution available, spanning all business, desktop and IT subjects needed to keep your employees' questions answered and skills updated. Includes all resources in SkillChoice Business, SkillChoice Desktop and SkillChoice IT.

#### SkillChoice Business

- Thousands of hours of instructional content in SkillSoft's six business Solution Areas, including:
  - Professional Effectiveness
  - Management & Leadership
  - Project Effectiveness
  - Sales & Customer Facing Skills
  - Finance, HR & Administration
  - Business Strategy & Operations
- Thousands of online books in the BusinessPro™ Collection from Books24x7®
- SkillSim™ Business Simulations, rich comprehensive standalone simulations complementing instructional content
- Online mentoring and practice test for project management exam by PMI
- Blended Learning Toolkits to help apply new skills on the job
- SkillPort platform and hosting service included or support for other LMS if preferred

#### SkillChoice Desktop

- Hundreds of hours of course instruction and simulated practice in SkillSoft's Desktop Solution Area, covering common desktop applications and skills.
- Hundreds of online books in the OfficeEssentials™ Collection from Books24x7®
- Online mentoring for leading professional certification exams on desktop skills
- SkillPort platform and hosting service included or support for other LMS if preferred

#### SkillChoice IT

- Several thousand hours of course instruction and simulated practice in the following six Solution Areas:
  - Software Development
  - Operating Systems and Server Technologies
  - Network Technologies
  - Enterprise Database Systems
  - Web Design
  - Project Effectiveness
- Thousands of online books in the ITPro™ Collection from Books24x7®
- Online mentoring for leading IT certification exams
- Practice certification exams for IT certifications exams
- Express Guide™ Manuals
- SkillPort platform and hosting service included or support for other LMS if preferred

solutions are the most powerful tools you can provide to support learning in the workplace, from formal learning programs to performance support needs that occur in the normal work flow.

SkillChoice provides your employees with access to a robust collection of online courses and simulations, full-text books by leading publishers, mentoring support, practice exams for professional certifications and more, delivered in an integrated fashion to ensure accessibility at the point of demand.

### Breadth

SkillSoft's instructional materials provide thorough coverage of the business, IT and desktop subjects that drive today's organizations. With SkillChoice, we have combined these broad collections into four simple and comprehensive packages that cover your organization's spectrum of needs: SkillChoice Business, SkillChoice IT, SkillChoice Desktop and SkillChoice Complete. With courses, books, simulations, live mentors and more, our wide range of content types can support the variety of learning preferences in your organization. Whether it's solving an immediate IT emergency or building a well-rounded set of general business skills, SkillChoice packages provide the full range of support.

### Currency

To keep pace with the constant changes in business and technology, SkillSoft develops more new instructional resources each year than anyone in the e-learning industry, with thousands of new online books and courses released each year. With SkillChoice, you are entitled to all new courseware, books and other resources released in your subject area throughout your license. With the hosted SkillPort platform, these updates are automatic, ensuring that the latest in business ideas and technology advances are at your employees' fingertips.

### On-demand learning support

Using SkillSoft's powerful search tools, your learners can perform on-demand, integrated searches across the broad range of resources and will be directed to the specific book page, SkillBrief summary, course topic or other tool they need for instant and relevant answers.

### Formal learning support

With SkillChoice, you have access to the full range of instruction you need to develop robust blended learning programs that support your organization's core competencies. We know that you can't always predict the new skills and competencies that will become vital in the future as your business responds to changes or develops new strategic initiatives. But as new learning needs emerge within your organization, SkillChoice's comprehensive coverage of subjects and content types allows you to pull from resources that are already available to rapidly build new programs that are aligned with your business.

### Books24x7®

With just a few mouse clicks, users can instantly access and search across a broad collection of unabridged books from the world's leading authorities in business, technology and other fields. Powerful search technology helps learners rapidly pinpoint the most helpful books and narrow in on the most relevant chapters. By instantly pinpointing critical information for just-enough, just-in-time problem solving and learning, Books24x7 helps professionals across all disciplines bridge the gap between what they know and what they need to know to drive corporate initiatives.



### Robust learning management

Included with all SkillChoice packages is the SkillPort® platform and SkillSoft's hosting service, providing a simple and flexible way to manage learning programs and deliver them to employees. Along with the reliability and scalability that you would expect from an enterprise platform, SkillPort offers the powerful Search-and-Learn®, giving learners instant access to specific, relevant resources at the time of need. Automatic content updates provide hosted SkillPort customers with new content as it is released for maximum currency and convenience.

Licensing SkillPort includes a new integrated offering that enhances the current SkillPort platform by adding the capability of a virtual classroom. The virtual classroom capability is delivered with the SkillPort platform, giving SkillSoft customers the ability to run blended learning training events.



The training program manager can now run virtual training sessions and provide all of the LMS capability that the SkillPort offers.

### LMS flexibility

For customers that prefer to use a different learning management system, our courseware is certified to comply with AICC and SCORM integration standards and SkillSoft provides support for adapting your SkillChoice solution to your third party LMS. SkillSoft has also developed our Open Learning Services Architecture. Open Learning Services are a set of Web services designed to allow developers to integrate SkillSoft content and services into their respective platforms. These capabilities include a fully-integrated search (Search-and-Learn), catalog management, mentoring, course catalog hierarchy, Learning Programs and support for KnowledgeCenters.

### Simplicity

Configuring, using and maintaining your e-learning solution should not be all consuming for the learning organization, IT group or your employees. SkillChoice learning solutions have been thoughtfully packaged with content, tools, resources and updates to simplify choices and ensure results.

### Affordability

SkillChoice solutions make it affordable to provide your employees with powerful tools to support learning in the workplace, from formal learning programs to spontaneous learning needs that occur in the normal workflow, with the lowest available cost per person, per resource. Additionally, because of the vast array of resources included with SkillChoice, you have the ability to provide mainstream subjects needed by all employees, along with niche technologies or business subjects that might otherwise not fit within your budget.

### Driving results through the power of choice

Leveraging the combined business and IT resources of SkillSoft, the widely acknowledged leader in e-learning solutions, SkillChoice offers the power and speed to support and enhance the learning process, while simplifying the choices required in the constantly changing world of learning. Simplified choices and rapid access to learning when and how you need it help you to achieve maximum business results.

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