

Mini-Map for ELA.EE.RI.3.4

Subject: ELA Reading Informational Text Grade: 3

Learning Outcome

DLM Essential Element	Grade-Level Standard
ELA.EE.RI.3.4 Determine words and phrases that complete	ELA.RI.3.4 Determine the meaning of general academic and
literal sentences in a text.	domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade
	3 topics or subject area.

Linkage Level Descriptions

Initial Precursor	Distal Precursor	Proximal Precursor	Target	Successor
When provided with	The student can	The student can make	By using surrounding	When using the
language cues, the	demonstrate	judgments about pairs	context, the student is	surrounding context,
student can pay	understanding of object	of words with similar or	able to select the	the student can identify
attention to the entire	names and the words	different meanings.	correct word or phrase	simple semantic
object, a characteristic	designated for absent		when asked to	definitions for
of the object, or an	objects or people		complete a literal	unambiguous words in
action the object can	through eye gaze,		sentence from the text.	a text.
perform.	movement, noise, or			
	other interaction.			

Initial Precursor and Distal Precursor Linkage Level Relationships to the Target

How is the Initial Precursor related to the Target?

At the Target level, students working on this Essential Element associate words with other words to complete sentences. At the Initial Precursor level, students associate words with familiar objects. The DLM Familiar Texts aligned with this Essential Element and linkage level feature object names and words used to describe those objects. The books and objects feature everyday routines that teachers can act out and associate with real objects during shared reading.

How is the Distal Precursor related to the Target?

At the Target level, students working on this Essential Element associate words with other words to complete sentences. At the Distal Precursor linkage level, students learn to associate names with objects and people that are not immediately present. During shared reading of DLM Familiar Texts aligned with this linkage level, teachers can use the books about familiar routines to help students learn and remember the names of the objects and people in the text, even when they do not appear in the page being read.

Instructional Resources

Linkage Level	DLM Familiar Texts			
Initial Precursor	Getting Ready for School			
	Tree Houses			
	A Pet in the Classroom			
	At the Beach			
	Buses			
	Fun on the Bus			
Distal Precursor	How to Clean a Dirty Dog			
	Building a Snowman			
	Different Ways to Travel			
	A Field Trip on a Boat			
	Babysitting			
	Fun on the Bus			
Proximal Precursor	How to Clean a Dirty Dog			
Target	N/A			
Successor	N/A			
For more comprehensive information, see Familiar Text Information – Grade 3.				
Released Testlets				
See the Guide to Practice Activities and Released Testlets.				
Using Supporting (SP) and Untested (UN) Nodes				
See the document Using Mini-Maps to Plan Instruction.				

Link to Text-Only Map



ELA.EE.RI.3.4 Determine words and phrases that complete literal sentences in a text.