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**Initial Precursor:**
- Can pay attention to either the entire object, a characteristic of the object, or an action in which the object can perform after some verbal label has been attached to it

**Distal Precursor:**
- Can recognize when he or she encounters familiar people, objects, places, and events

**Proximal Precursor:**
- Can identify the concrete details, such as individuals, events, or ideas in familiar informational texts

**Target:**
- Can determine how various informational texts on the same topic are similar in what is presented on the topic

**Successor:**
- Can compare informational texts on the same topic based on the specific details used to discuss the topic

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A diagram showing the relationship of nodes in the mini-map appears below.

*Key to map codes in upper right corner of node boxes:*

- IP Initial Precursor
- DP Distal Precursor
- PP Proximal Precursor
- T Target
- SP Supporting
- S Successor
- UN Untested
ELA.EE.RI.3.9 - Identify similarities between two texts on the same topic.