# ESSENTIAL ELEMENT, LINKAGE LEVELS, AND MINI-MAP

**ELA: GRADE 4**

**ELA.EE.RL.4.3**

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| ELA.RL.4.3 Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g. a character's thoughts, words, or actions) | ELA.EE.RL.4.3 Use details from the text to describe characters in the story | Initial Precursor:  
• Can indicate an object when it is referred to by name  
Distal Precursor:  
• Can identify elements in a story (characters, other key details in the text) when asked  
Proximal Precursor:  
• Can identify the key elements in a story, including the main characters, setting, and the major events  
Target:  
• Can describe characters in a narrative using appropriate words, rather than reacting to/relying on the illustrations  
Successor:  
• Can use details from a narrative to describe characters, setting, and events (students may not identify specific key details, but are able to identify additional information about a story) |

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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
- SP Supporting
- DP Distal Precursor
- S Successor
- PP Proximal Precursor
- UN Untested
- T Target
ELA-410
Can describe the characters, setting, or events of a story based on illustrations and/or details from the text.

ELA-1188
Can use details from the text to describe characters in a narrative.

ELA-1348
Can use details from a narrative to describe characters, setting, and events.