## Essential Element, Linkage Levels, and Mini-Map

### ELA: Grade 5

#### ELA.EE.RL.5.3

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| Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings, or events in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., how characters interact) | Compare two characters in a familiar story | Initial Precursor:  
- Can indicate an object when it is referred to by name  
Distal Precursor:  
- Can identify character(s) and setting in a familiar story  
Proximal Precursor:  
- Can use illustrations and/or details of a text to describe the events  
Target:  
- Can compare different characters in a familiar story  
Successor:  
- Can contrast different characters in a familiar story using specific key details |

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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.EE.RL.5.3 - Compare two characters in a familiar story.