



Mini-Map for ELA.EE.W.8.2.f

Subject: ELA

Writing

Grade: 8

Learning Outcome

DLM Essential Element	Grade-Level Standard
ELA.EE.W.8.2.f Provide a closing.	ELA.W.8.2.f Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented.

Linkage Levels Descriptions

Initial Precursor Emergent Writing	Distal Precursor Emergent Writing	Proximal Precursor Conventional Writing	Target Conventional Writing	Successor Conventional Writing
The student can identify the end or completion of a familiar routine.	The student can produce a universal or widely accepted ending when writing a text (e.g., "The End" or "That's all I have to say.").	The student can write a concluding sentence, statement, or section of a written text to bring together all the information presented in the text.	The student can produce a conclusion for a written text.	The student can produce a conclusion that is relevant to the main topic when writing an informative text.

Emergent and Conventional Writing Testlets

This Essential Element is tested in an ELA writing testlet. Writing testlets are assessed at two levels: Emergent Writing and Conventional Writing. The Initial Precursor and Distal Precursor nodes are assessed in the emergent writing testlet in Grade 8 with four other Essential Elements: ELA.EE.W.8.2.a, ELA.EE.W.8.2.b, ELA.EE.W.8.2.c, and ELA.EE.W.8.2.d. The Proximal Precursor, Target and Successor nodes are assessed in the conventional writing testlet in Grade 8 with four other Essential Elements: ELA.EE.W.8.2.a, ELA.EE.W.8.2.b, ELA.EE.W.8.2.c, and ELA.EE.W.8.2.d.

Initial Precursor and Distal Precursor Linkage Level Relationships to the Target

How is the Initial Precursor related to the Target?

As students work toward understanding conclusions as endings when writing, they need to work on developing understandings of the end or completion of familiar routines. In the context of writing, teachers can help students understand this by marking the end of the writing routine with a gesture or symbol indicating finished and then carry that over to other routines across the day.

How is the Distal Precursor related to the Target?

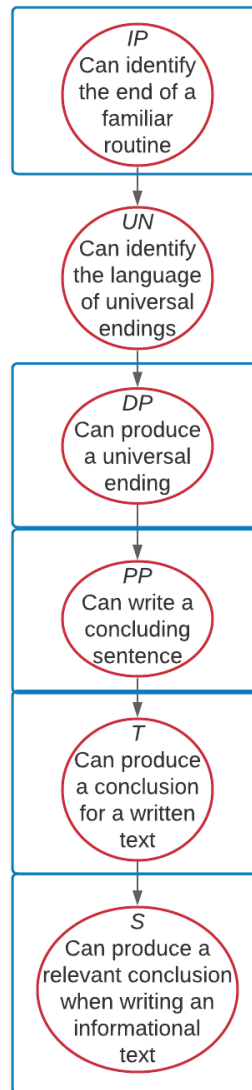
As students work toward writing a meaningful conclusion, they can use more universal endings to mark the end of their writing. For example, students can write "the end" to mark the completion of the things they write.

Instructional Resources

Writing Testlet FAQs
Instructionally Embedded Assessment
Year-End Assessment
Released Testlets
See the Guide to Practice Activities and Released Testlets .
Using Untested (UN) Nodes
See the document Using Mini-Maps to Plan Instruction .

[Link to Text-Only Map](#)

ELA.EE.W.8.2.f Provide a closing.



Map Key	
IP	Initial Precursor
DP	Distal Precursor
PP	Proximal Precursor
T	Target
S	Successor
UN	Untested
Boxes indicate tested nodes	