



**ESSENTIAL ELEMENT, LINKAGE LEVELS, AND MINI-MAP
SCIENCE: MIDDLE SCHOOL
SCI.EE.MS-LS2-2**

State Standard for General Education	DLM Essential Element	Linkage Levels
<p>MS-LS2-2 Construct an explanation that predicts patterns of interactions among organisms across multiple ecosystems</p>	<p>EE.MS-LS2-2 Use models of food chains/webs to identify producers and consumers in aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems</p>	<p>Initial:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify food that animals eat <p>Precursor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classify animals based on what they eat (e.g., herbivore, omnivore, carnivore) <p>Target:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use models of food chains/webs to identify producers and consumers in aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems

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

Key to map codes in upper right corner of linkage level boxes:

- I Initial
- P Precursor
- T Target

SCIENCE.MS-LS2-2 Use models of food chains/webs to identify producers and consumers in aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems.

