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Homework Trouble Map Answer Key

Characters: Ethan, Ethan's teacher, Ethan's mom

Setting: At school (classroom) and at home (kitchen table mentioned)

Events:

1. Ethan realized his homework was missing at school.
2. He told his teacher and was allowed to call home.
3. His mom found the homework on the kitchen table and emailed a picture.

Problem: Ethan lost his math homework / could not find it in his backpack

Solution: The homework was found at home and emailed to the teacher.

Teacher Notes

- Accept variations if students explain with text-based support (e.g., "school and home" for setting is fine).
- For **events**, encourage sequencing with beginning-middle-end clarity.
- Reinforce that the "problem" is always something the character needs to overcome.
- For younger students, provide sentence starters like *The character is...* *The setting is...*