## Art

- The student learned about design and structure while building the cat tower, considering the aesthetics and functionality.
- Through the process of creating the cat tower, the student practiced creativity and problemsolving skills, as they had to find ways to make the tower stable and visually appealing.
- Understanding of different materials and their properties was gained as the student selected and used appropriate materials for the tower.

# **English**

- The student can write a reflective essay or a step-by-step guide on building a cat tower, enhancing their writing skills and ability to communicate a process clearly.
- Researching different cat tower designs and instructions online can improve the studentâ digital literacy and ability to gather information from various sources.
- Collaborating with others during the construction process can improve communication and teamwork skills.

# Foreign Language

- If the instructions for building the cat tower were in a different language, the student may have learned new vocabulary related to construction and pets.
- Discussing the project with someone who speaks a different language can provide an opportunity for the student to practice their conversational skills in that language.
- Watching tutorial videos in a foreign language can help the student improve their listening skills and comprehension.

## History

- Researching the historical evolution of cat furniture can provide insight into how human-animal relationships have evolved over time.
- Studying the cultural significance of cats in different ancient civilizations can broaden the student's understanding of historical perspectives on pets and animals.
- Exploring the origins of different building materials used in the construction of the cat tower can provide historical context for those materials.

# Math

- The student practiced measurement and geometry skills when cutting and assembling the pieces of the cat tower.
- Calculating the cost of materials and determining the required quantities involved practical application of math skills.
- Designing and scaling the cat tower model on paper before construction required understanding of proportions and spatial reasoning.

#### Music

- The construction process could be accompanied by music, providing an opportunity for the student to explore rhythm and tempo while working on the project.
- If the student documented the process through video, they could experiment with adding background music or sound effects during the editing phase.
- Researching cat behavior and preferences for music could lead to a music-related study about the impact of music on pets.

### **Physical Education**

• The student may have engaged in physical activity while gathering materials, cutting, and

- assembling the cat tower, contributing to physical development and coordination.
- Discussing the importance of physical activity and play for cats can lead to a broader understanding of the role of exercise and play in overall pet health.
- Understanding proper lifting and carrying techniques while working with materials can contribute to the student's safety awareness and physical literacy.

#### **Science**

- Learning about the physics of stability and balance was essential in designing the cat tower to ensure it would support the weight of a cat without toppling over.
- Understanding the properties of different wood types or materials used for the tower can lead to discussions about the science of materials and their suitability for specific purposes.
- Investigating cat behavior and preferences could lead to discussions about animal behavior and biology, examining how cats interact with their environment.

## **Social Studies**

- Researching the cultural significance of cats and pets in different societies can provide insight into the role of animals in different cultures.
- Exploring the ethical considerations of pet ownership and the responsibilities of caring for animals can lead to discussions about societal values and norms related to pets.
- Engaging with other cat owners or pet enthusiasts during the project can broaden the student's social network and understanding of community dynamics related to pet ownership.

Continued development related to the activity can involve exploring advanced carpentry and design techniques for creating more intricate cat furniture. Encouraging the student to conduct research on modern trends in pet furniture design and to experiment with incorporating sustainable or recycled materials into their future projects can further expand their knowledge and skills in this area.

## **Related Educational Toys And Games**

- **Cat Stack** by Comma Games: A physics-based game that reinforces concepts of balance and structural stability, aligning with the learning from building a cat tower.
- **Architectural Model Building Kit** by Kraftic: Provides hands-on experience in building structures and can further develop the student's understanding of design and construction.
- **Musical Instrument Building Kit** by ROBOTIME: Allows the student to build and customize musical instruments, contributing to exploration of sound and music-related learning experiences.