## **Core Skills Analysis**

## Art

- The 7-year-old student learned about the traditional Aboriginal dot painting technique, understanding the importance of dots in creating intricate patterns and stories.
- Through this activity, the student likely explored different color combinations and how they can convey emotions and meanings in artwork.
- By engaging in Aboriginal dot painting, the student may have developed patience and fine motor skills as they meticulously placed each dot on the canvas.

## **Tips**

Encourage the student to research more about Aboriginal art and its significance in Indigenous culture. Try incorporating storytelling into their artwork, using dots to symbolize different elements or characters. Provide a variety of tools for dot painting, such as cotton swabs, pencils, or sticks, to create diverse textures and patterns. Encourage the student to experiment with dot sizes and distances to see how they impact the overall composition.

## **Book Recommendations**

- <u>The Dot</u> by Peter H. Reynolds: A story about a girl who begins a journey of self-discovery through a simple dot she draws.
- W is for Welcome: A Celebration of America's Diversity by Brad Herzog: This book celebrates the diversity in America, including a section on Aboriginal art forms like dot painting.
- <u>Dot Art: Sticker Art</u> by Karen Holmberg: An interactive book that introduces children to the beauty of dot art through stickers.