Core Skills Analysis

Music

- The student learned about rhythm by imitating the sounds of horses' hooves galloping.
- They explored pitch variations by mimicking the different sounds horses make (whinnying, snorting, neighing).
- Through movement and sound, the student grasped the concept of tempo in music while pretending to ride a horse.
- By creating their own 'horse song', the student demonstrated creativity in music composition.

Tips

To further develop the student's musical skills related to 'Horses', encourage them to experiment with creating different types of horse-inspired music using everyday objects as instruments. Incorporate elements like dynamics (loud vs. soft), timbre (differentiating sounds), and form (structuring their 'horse songs'). Additionally, organizing a mini 'horse parade' where students showcase their musical creations can boost their confidence and teamwork skills.

Book Recommendations

- <u>I Love Horses</u> by Evelyn M. Fields: A beautifully illustrated book that introduces young readers to different horse breeds, their characteristics, and the joy of riding and caring for horses.
- <u>The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses</u> by Paul Goble: This Caldecott Medal-winning book tells the story of a girl who is so connected to wild horses that she lives among them and becomes part of their herd.
- <u>Pony Brushes His Teeth</u> by Michael Dahl: A fun and engaging picture book that follows Pony's hilarious bedtime routine, including brushing his teeth, which young readers can relate to and enjoy.