Core Skills Analysis

Science

- The 4-year-old student has learned about observation skills by closely examining the details of rocks through the magnifying glass.
- Through this activity, the student has developed an understanding of textures and patterns found on different types of rocks.
- By using the magnifying glass, the student has gained a basic understanding of how to conduct simple investigations and make scientific observations.
- This activity has sparked curiosity about geology and the natural world, encouraging the young learner to ask questions about what they see.

Tips

Encourage the young learner to explore other objects in nature using a magnifying glass, such as leaves, insects, or flowers. Ask open-ended questions to prompt further observation and discussion. Create a simple nature journal where the student can document their findings and drawings.

Book Recommendations

- Rocks, Minerals and Gems by Scholastic: An informative and visually engaging book that introduces young children to the world of rocks, minerals, and gems.
- <u>The Rock Book</u> by Carol Lane Fenton: A beautifully illustrated book that explores the different types of rocks and their properties in a simple and engaging way.
- <u>Let's Go Rock Collecting</u> by Roma Gans: Follow along with two young rock hounds as they explore different rocks and share their excitement for collecting.