

## Core Skills Analysis

### Math

- The 9-year-old student can grasp the concept of addition by pricing items in the shop and calculating the total cost during the pretend play.
- Through the shop activity, the student can understand the concept of money and practice basic arithmetic when giving change to their 'customers.'
- The student can enhance their multiplication skills by creating and solving scenarios where they need to calculate the total cost of multiple items for sale in the shop.
- By organizing and categorizing items in the shop, the student can develop their understanding of sorting, classifying, and even basic principles of multiplication when grouping items.

### Tips

To further enhance the learning experience from the 'Play pretend shop' activity, consider introducing challenges such as calculating discounts on items, setting up a budget, or even expanding the shop to include more complex math problems. Encouraging the student to explain their pricing strategies or engage in role-playing scenarios where they need to calculate profits can deepen their understanding of mathematical concepts in a fun and interactive way.

### Book Recommendations

- [The Lemonade War](#) by Jacqueline Davies: This book explores themes of entrepreneurship and rivalry between siblings, aligned with the pretend shop activity to inspire creativity and business acumen in young readers.
- [A Dollar for Penny](#) by Julie Glass: Follow Penny as she learns about money and math through everyday experiences, perfect for reinforcing concepts learned during pretend play shop activities.
- [How the Second Grade Got \\$8,205.50 to Visit the Statue of Liberty](#) by Nathan Zimelman: This book involves a class fundraising project, which can parallel the shop's financial aspects and inspire teamwork, financial literacy, and goal setting among children.