# **Core Skills Analysis**

#### Art

- The student learned about creativity and imagination while designing the paper hand puppets.
- They gained knowledge about shapes, colors, and patterns through the selection of materials and decorations.
- Practiced fine motor skills by cutting and assembling the paper puppets.
- Explored storytelling and character development as they brought the puppets to life through play.

## **Crafts**

- Developed problem-solving skills by figuring out how to make the paper puppets structurally sound.
- Understood the importance of following instructions and steps for a successful outcome.
- Enhanced patience and perseverance while working on intricate details of the puppets.
- Learned about recycling and reusing materials by utilizing paper for a creative purpose.

# **Tips**

To enhance the activity of making paper hand puppets, encourage the student to create a puppet show using their puppets. This will further develop their storytelling abilities and boost confidence in performing. You can also suggest incorporating different textures or materials for more advanced puppet designs and introduce basic puppetry techniques to make the playtime even more engaging and educational. Lastly, provide guidance on puppet maintenance to teach responsibility and ensure the longevity of their creations.

### **Book Recommendations**

- <u>Puppetry for Beginners: A Step-by-Step Guide</u> by Sara Smith: This beginner-friendly book offers easy-to-follow instructions on creating various types of puppets and includes tips on how to put on a puppet show.
- <u>The Crafty Kids' Corner: Creative Projects for Young Artists</u> by Lucy Lane: Filled with fun crafts and activities, this book inspires children to explore their artistic side through engaging projects like paper puppets.
- The Art of Recycling: Eco-Friendly Crafts for Kids by Emma Green: Teaching kids the
  importance of recycling, this book provides innovative ideas for turning everyday materials like
  paper into eco-conscious crafts like puppets.