# **Core Skills Analysis**

#### Literature

- Mia enhanced her vocabulary by listening to the story 'Bowerbird Blues' during the national simultaneous storytime.
- The activity helped Mia improve her comprehension skills as she followed the plot and understood the characters' emotions.
- Listening to the story sparked Mia's imagination, encouraging her to visualize the settings and events described in 'Bowerbird Blues'.
- Mia might have picked up on literary devices or elements such as foreshadowing or character development while engaging with the story.

### Music

- By listening to 'Bowerbird Blues', Mia experienced how music can enhance storytelling and evoke emotions.
- The rhythmic elements in the storytime likely captivated Mia's interest and helped her appreciate the role of music in narratives.
- Mia may have noticed the connection between the mood of the music in 'Bowerbird Blues' and the tone of the story.
- Participating in a simultaneous storytime involving music could have boosted Mia's auditory skills and rhythmic awareness.

## **Tips**

To further Mia's learning after the storytime activity, you can encourage her to create her own stories inspired by music, explore other simultaneous storytime events, or even try acting out scenes from stories to deepen her understanding and engagement.

#### **Book Recommendations**

- <u>The Night Gardener</u> by Jonathan Auxier: A captivating story that blends mystery, fantasy, and adventure, perfect for young readers like Mia.
- Echo by Pam Muñoz Ryan: An enchanting tale that weaves together historical fiction and magical realism, sure to spark Mia's imagination.
- <u>The Song of the Trees</u> by Mildred D. Taylor: A powerful novella that explores themes of family, nature, and resilience, ideal for deepening Mia's appreciation of storytelling.