# **Core Skills Analysis**

## **English**

- Recognized and identified the letters in their name, increasing letter recognition skills.
- Practiced fine motor skills by holding a writing instrument and controlling movements on paper.
- Developed early writing skills by forming letters, beginning with the first letter of their name.
- Gained confidence in expressing their identity through writing their name.

# History

- Learned about personal identity, fostering a connection to their own unique history.
- Developed a sense of continuity as they recognize their name as part of their personal narrative.
- Explored concepts of heritage and family by considering the origin of their name.
- Began to understand the importance of names in society and their role in individual identity.

#### Math

- Practiced counting the letters in their name, enhancing basic counting skills.
- Began understanding the concept of attributes (the letters in their name) and grouping them.
- Developed spatial awareness by arranging letters coherently on paper.
- Engaged in pattern recognition through repeated letters or sequences in their name.

#### **Science**

- Explored the sensory experience of writing (touch of pencil on paper, visual of letters being formed).
- Developed observations on how pressure alters the darkness of the writing on the paper.
- Introduced to cause and effect by understanding that the pressure applied influences the thickness of lines.
- Started questioning the nature of materials, noticing how different papers change the writing experience.

## **Social Studies**

- Understood the significance of individual identity within a community by writing their name.
- Developed an awareness of personal space and where to write names, fostering social interactions.
- Learned the societal convention of presenting oneself through names in various contexts.
- Engaged in sharing their name with peers, sparking conversations about diversity and uniqueness.

## **Tips**

To further enhance naming skills, the student can explore writing their name in different environments, such as using chalk on pavement or finger painting. They could also improve by tracing their name with dotted lines, providing a guide for proper letter formation. Encouraging feedback from peers as they practice writing can boost confidence and social skills.

#### **Book Recommendations**

- <u>Chicka Chicka Boom Boom</u> by Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault: A playful story about the letters of the alphabet climbing a coconut tree, introducing children to letter recognition.
- <u>David Goes to School</u> by David Shannon: A humorous tale about a young boy named David, emphasizing the importance of names and individual identity in school.