

## Core Skills Analysis

### Science

- Understanding the concept of cleanliness and the importance of hygiene.
- Exploring the properties of water and soap in the cleaning process.
- Learning the cause and effect relationship between washing and removing dirt.
- Experiencing sensory exploration through the feel of water and soap on their hands.

### Fine Motor Skills

- Practicing hand-eye coordination while pouring water and scrubbing the doll.
- Enhancing dexterity through movements required to manipulate sponges or cloths.
- Developing grip strength by holding onto the doll and various cleaning tools.
- Learning to control movements for precise cleaning without damaging the doll.

### Social Studies

- Gaining an understanding of caregiving and empathy by washing a baby doll.
- Role-playing and imitating adult behaviors, learning about nurturing roles.
- Recognizing and respecting the needs of others, even in play scenarios.
- Exploring cultural practices of washing and maintaining hygiene for children.

### Language Development

- Enhancing vocabulary by using words related to washing, such as 'clean', 'soap', and 'water'.
- Encouraging storytelling as they narrate the process of washing the doll.
- Practicing following multi-step directions during the cleaning process.
- Promoting communication skills through interaction while playing with peers or caregivers.

### Tips

To further explore and improve skills, children could engage in discussions about different types of dolls and their needs, integrating cultural aspects of doll care from various traditions. Introducing new cleaning tools (like brushes or sponges) can add complexity to the activity. Including storytelling elements can enhance language skills while they wash their dolls, making the activity more engaging and educational. Lastly, setting up a 'wash station' with pretend play elements can encourage social interactions among peers.

### Book Recommendations

- [Wash! Wash! Wash!](#) by Ruth Brown: A delightful book about animals getting cleaned, reinforcing the concept of washing and hygiene in a fun way.
- [Squeaky Clean: A Story About Washing](#) by Jodie Shepherd: This engaging story teaches children the importance of cleanliness through colorful illustrations and relatable scenarios.
- [Baby Doll's Big Wash](#) by Megan McDonald: A charming tale of a little girl who loves to take care of her baby doll, emphasizing nurturing and the importance of keeping things clean.