# **Core Skills Analysis**

#### **Social Skills**

- The child practiced turn-taking, waiting for their turn to play, which enhances patience.
- Learnt to communicate effectively by asking others for cards, which improves language skills.
  Developed listening skills through attentively listening to other players' statements and
- questions.
- Gained a sense of cooperation, understanding the importance of working together in a group setting.

### Numeracy

- The child counted the number of cards in their hand, which reinforces number recognition and counting skills.
- Recognized pairs of cards needed to win, enhancing their ability to categorize and organize.
- Engaged in simple mathematics by calculating how many cards they needed to ask for and how many were left.
- Understood the concept of 'more' and 'fewer' by comparing their cards to those of other players.

#### **Memory Skills**

- The child improved memory recall by remembering the cards they have seen and those they need to ask for.
- Enhanced cognitive skills through the strategic process of remembering where cards were and which players had them.
- Practiced visual memory by observing the cards other players laid down and keeping track of them.
- Engaged in active thinking by recalling information during their turn about previous plays.

## Tips

To further enhance the child's learning experience related to social skills, consider organizing playdates where they can engage in cooperative games with peers. Introduce theme-focused discussions before and after playing, such as sharing their favorite cards or strategies. As for numeracy, encourage simple counting games or pairing activities outside of Go Fish. Incorporating storytelling that utilizes counting and social interactions can significantly bolster both memory recall and language development.

## **Book Recommendations**

- <u>Go Fish!</u> by Duke K. M. Ren: A fun and colorful book introducing the game of Go Fish through playful illustrations and engaging text.
- <u>The Card Game</u> by Anna Maria Minerva: A delightful book that introduces card games to children while teaching them about numbers and colors.
- Let's Play Go Fish! by Sarah L. Happ: An interactive story that encourages children to learn the rules of Go Fish and the importance of playing together.