# **Core Skills Analysis**

## **Creative Writing**

- Developed skills in summarizing and condensing stories by creating a shortened version of 'The Lion King'.
- Enhanced vocabulary and narrative techniques by choosing impactful words and phrases to convey characters' emotions and actions.
- Gained experience in plot development by determining which scenes were essential to include in the shortened format.
- Practiced editing and revising by refining the script based on feedback from peers.

### **Drama and Theatre**

- Learned the basics of directing by organizing friends to perform and assigning roles within the play.
- Developed communication skills by giving clear directions on stage movement and body language to enhance performance.
- Explored character development by guiding peers on how to portray their roles convincingly through facial expressions and gestures.
- Gained confidence in public speaking and performance skills by presenting in front of an audience, managing stage fright.

### **Tips**

To further enhance Lola's learning experience, it would be beneficial to explore various aspects of storytelling and drama. Encourage her to read more plays to understand different writing styles and character arcs. Perhaps organize a small workshop where she can learn from local theater artists or take part in a drama club. Additionally, using constructive feedback from her peers can help Lola improve her directing skills and audience engagement in future performances.

#### **Book Recommendations**

- <u>The One and Only Ivan</u> by Katherine Applegate: A heartwarming story about friendship and loyalty, showcasing deep emotions and vivid storytelling.
- <u>The Secrets of Tree Taylor</u> by Dandi Daley Mackall: An engaging tale about creativity and selfexpression, where the main character learns to tell her story.
- <u>Drama Class: A Guide for Kids</u> by Tessa D. Williams: A practical guide that introduces young readers to the world of drama and acting techniques.