## English Language Arts

- The child learned how to create an acrostic poem, which involves using the letters of a word or phrase to start each line of the poem.
- The child practiced brainstorming and generating ideas to match each letter of the word or phrase.
- The child explored the use of descriptive language and creative expression in their acrostic poem.
- The child learned to revise and edit their poem for clarity and effectiveness.

Continued development can include encouraging the child to experiment with different word choices and themes for their acrostic poems. They can also explore using different poetic devices, such as similes or metaphors, to enhance their poems. Additionally, the child can practice reading and analyzing acrostic poems written by famous poets to gain inspiration and learn new techniques.

## **Book Recommendations**

- <u>Poetry for Young People: Robert Frost</u> by Gary D. Schmidt: This book introduces young readers to the works of Robert Frost, including some of his famous poems that showcase his mastery of descriptive language and imagery.
- <u>A Kick in the Head: An Everyday Guide to Poetic Forms</u> by Paul B. Janeczko: This collection of poems explores various poetic forms, including acrostics, and provides examples and explanations that will inspire young readers to create their own poems.
- Love That Dog by Sharon Creech: This novel in verse follows a young boy named Jack as he discovers his love for poetry through the guidance of his teacher. It offers a heartfelt exploration of self-expression and creativity.

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