English Language Arts

- Improved vocabulary by learning new words through playing Upwords.
- Enhanced spelling skills by forming words using letter tiles.
- Developed critical thinking and problem-solving abilities by strategically placing letters to form high-scoring words.
- Practiced reading comprehension by analyzing words formed by other players and determining their meanings.

Playing the game Upwords can further enhance the child's English Language Arts skills in creative ways. Encourage them to keep a record of the new words they come across during the game and create their own word dictionary. They can also write short stories or poems using the words they have learned from the game. Additionally, they can challenge themselves by setting a timer and trying to form words quickly, improving their speed and accuracy in spelling and vocabulary.

Book Recommendations

- <u>Word Nerd</u> by Susin Nielsen: A funny and heartwarming story about a boy who loves words and participates in a Scrabble tournament.
- <u>The Giggler Treatment</u> by Roddy Doyle: An imaginative tale where mischievous creatures called "gigglers" punish adults who mistreat children.
- <u>Frindle</u> by Andrew Clements: The story of a boy who invents a new word and sparks a nationwide phenomenon, highlighting the power of language and creativity.

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