Activity: "My child went to see Phantom of the Opera"

Music

- The Seventh-grade child learned about different genres of music through experiencing the music of Phantom of the Opera.
- The child developed an appreciation for musical theater and its unique blend of music and storytelling.
- Through watching the performance, the child learned about the importance of music in setting the mood and enhancing the narrative.
- By observing the orchestra and the live music production, the child gained insight into the roles and instruments within an ensemble.

One creative way to continue developing the child's interest in music is to encourage them to explore other musical theater productions or even try writing their own songs or musical compositions. They can also learn to play an instrument or join a local choir or theater group to further immerse themselves in the world of music.

Book Recommendations

- <u>The Music of the Phantom</u> by Paula Volsky: A thrilling novel that delves into the mysterious origins of the haunting music featured in Phantom of the Opera.
- <u>Theater for Kids: From Broadway to the Batting Cage</u> by Lisa M. Shafer: This book provides a comprehensive introduction to the world of theater, including musical theater, and is filled with fun activities and exercises for young aspiring performers.
- <u>The Composer Is Dead</u> by Lemony Snicket: A humorous and entertaining book that introduces children to the different sections of an orchestra and the instruments within them, while solving a musical murder mystery.

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