Art

- The child has learned about spatial awareness and design as they plan and build their Lego cities.
- They have explored color theory and composition when choosing and arranging different colored Lego pieces.
- Through creating buildings, vehicles, and landscapes, the child has experimented with sculpture and three-dimensional art.

Physical Education

- The activity encourages fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination as the child manipulates small Lego pieces.
- Building Lego cities also promotes physical dexterity and balance as the child reaches and stretches to assemble their creations.
- Children may engage in physical activity as they move around to gather specific Lego pieces for their city construction.

Science

- The child can explore principles of engineering and architecture as they design and build structures within the Lego city.
- They also learn about urban planning and environmental considerations as they decide where to place different features within their city.
- Through trial and error, the child gains an understanding of basic physics and structural stability while constructing their city.

Social Studies

- Creating Lego cities fosters creativity and imagination, allowing the child to explore different cultures and historical periods through their city designs.
- The activity encourages teamwork and collaboration if the child constructs the city with classmates or friends, fostering social skills.
- The child can learn about the concept of community and city development as they construct different elements within their Lego city.

Encourage the child to expand their creativity by adding elements such as bridges, parks, and landmarks to their Lego cities. They can also incorporate storytelling by creating narratives about the city's inhabitants and their daily lives, fostering both artistic and narrative skills.

Book Recommendations

- <u>LEGO City: Build This City!</u> by Michael Anthony Steele: A fun, illustrated book that offers ideas and inspiration for building Lego cities.
- <u>LEGO City: Look Out Below!</u> by Judy Katschke: This engaging story is set in a Lego city and can inspire the child's creativity for their own city construction.
- <u>The LEGO Ideas Book: Unlock Your Imagination</u> by Daniel Lipkowitz: While not specifically about building Lego cities, this book offers a multitude of creative building ideas using Lego bricks.

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