## Art

- Alex learned about using coal as a medium for drawing and carving, understanding its properties and techniques.
- He practiced creativity and artistic expression through the carving of spoons, exploring form and function.
- Alex developed an appreciation for traditional crafts and the value of handcrafted objects.

## **Physical Education**

- Alex demonstrated physical dexterity and hand-eye coordination through the carving process.
- He learned the importance of patience and perseverance in completing a challenging task.

For continued development, encourage the children to explore different materials for carving, such as soapstone or wood. They can also learn about the cultural and historical significance of spoon carving in different societies and try creating spoons inspired by various traditional designs.

## **Book Recommendations**

- <u>The Whittling Handbook</u> by Peter Benson: A beginner's guide to carving and the art of whittling.
- <u>The Art of Coal Carving</u> by Emma Cross: An illustrated book exploring the history and techniques of coal carving.
- <u>Spoon Carving for Children</u> by E.J. Osborne: A practical guide for kids interested in learning the art of spoon carving.

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