## Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will learn the basics of IKEA furniture assembly, including understanding instructions, identifying parts, and using simple tools. The student will also develop problem-solving skills and patience through hands-on activities.

## **Materials and Prep**

- 1 simple IKEA furniture assembly instruction manual (real or printed)
- 1 set of toy tools (like a toy screwdriver and wrench)
- 1 small piece of furniture to assemble (could be a toy or a cardboard model)
- Space to work safely

Before the lesson, review the instruction manual to ensure it is age-appropriate and simple enough for the student to understand. Familiarize yourself with the toy tools and the assembly process of the chosen furniture piece.

## Activities

- **Reading the Instructions:** Start by looking at the instruction manual together. Help the student understand how to read the pictures and follow the steps. Ask them to point out the different parts they see.
- **Identifying Parts:** Gather all the pieces of the furniture and lay them out. Ask the student to name each part and match it with the pictures in the manual. This will help them learn to recognize different shapes and sizes.
- **Hands-on Assembly:** Let the student use the toy tools to assemble the furniture. Guide them through each step, encouraging them to try it themselves. Celebrate small successes to keep them motivated!
- **Decorating the Finished Piece:** Once assembled, allow the student to decorate the furniture with stickers or drawings. This adds a personal touch and makes the activity more fun.

## **Talking Points**

- "Look at this picture! It shows us how to put the furniture together. Can you find the first step?"
- "Great job! Now let's find all the pieces we need. Can you match them with the pictures?"
- "Using tools can be fun! This is a screwdriver. Can you pretend to use it to help us build?"
- "You did it! Look at what you built! How do you feel about your new furniture?"
- "Now that we made it, how can we make it special? Let's add some stickers!"
- "Building things takes time and patience. You did such a good job! What do you want to build next?"