Foundations

Scratch Art: Beneath the Surface

Supplies needed

• Scratch art set (you can order from Amazon and select Atideinu as the non-profit to support, or pick these up at local art shops, Target, Walmart, etc.)

Best for ages 2-8. The goal for this activity is to help children understand that there is more to reality than what meets the eye.

Usually, there is a lot going on "beneath the surface" that we will not know for some time, and often will never fully be aware of.

Give each child a blank sheet of scratch art and ask them what they see. They'll likely respond with, "nothing," or "it's a black sheet." Give them the tool and instruct them to start drawing a picture.

As the beautiful colors emerge begin to talk about Hashem's beautiful plans that are often "underneath" the surface.

Many times, we need to weather the storm and trust in Hashem before we can see the beautiful picture.

It is important to explore with your child(ren) that there are times in life that we will never see the "beauty" at the end of the struggle/storm but it's vital to remember that there is always more than meets the eye and Hashem is always the "color" beneath the "black surface."



