

# The light of Hanukkah

## Salt painting



CYCLE 2



Third grade



1.5 hour

ALONE

## Pre-requisite

Hanukkah is also called “The Festival of Lights”.

Students must be initiated to different meanings of the Festival, including fighting negativity, "darkness" and bringing the light of redemption to the world.

### General Goal

Initiate oneself to a new technique in order to work on the light and its nuances.

### Specific Goal

Create a painting around the theme “ the light of Hanukkah”.

## Skills

- Test and develop a new painting technique.
- Give free rein to one’s imagination.
- Work on the nuances.



## Necessary material

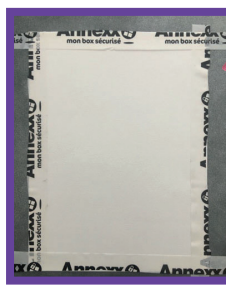
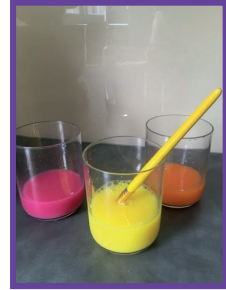
- ❑ A white sheet of paper, from 250 to 300 g.
- ❑ Blue, red, green, purple ink (ink cartridges for fountain pens will do the job).
- ❑ A little bit of water
- ❑ Coarse salt
- ❑ A rather large paint brush
- ❑ The Hanukkah Menorah drawing (picture 10)
- ❑ White liquid glue
- ❑ Scissors
- ❑ Gilding flakes
- ❑ A sheet of yellow tissue paper
- ❑ A board (21X21)
- ❑ Black paint



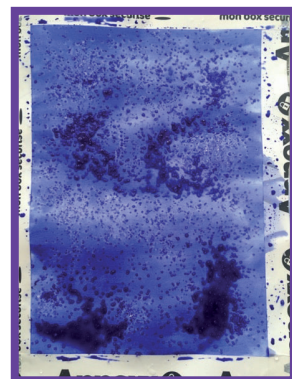
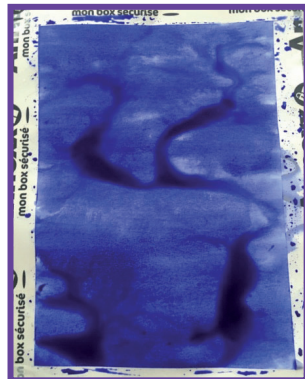
# Process

## Step 1: Set up the material

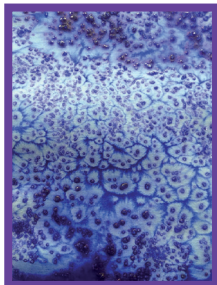
- In small containers, pour the content of each cartridge.
- Reserve containers in which you will dilute the paints with water in case you haven't chosen the ink option.
- On the white Canson sheet, apply tape to outline the area to paint (especially if the paper is not very thick).



## Step 2: Prepare the background



- Moisturize the sheet.
- Apply several layers of more or less diluted ink.
- Spread coarse salt irregularly on the surface, from top to bottom.



Admire the surprising effects provoked by this reaction! Coarse salt absorbs paint, sometimes till the paper, and leaves darker areas between each absorbed surface.



- Then let it dry (according to the quantity of water, sometimes you need to wait for a few hours, even one night), then remove the coarse salt, with your hands or with a large paint brush.
- For added shine, you can also leave a few salt crystals.
- You can mix multiple colors or work on a monochrome base.



### Step 3: Create the Hanukkah Menorah

- Hand out the Hanukkah Menorah drawing.
- The most autonomous students may attempt to draw it.



Remember, the menorah can only be kosher if the candles are all aligned and equally distanced.



- Carefully cut out the contours.
- Let it dry.



- Place the cutout in the center of your background.



- Using a thin paint brush, apply glue to the shape.
- Cover with gilding flakes.



## Step 4: The framing

- Remove the tape delicately.



Remember, during this step, make sure the sheet is dry so as not to tear it.

- Sprinkle with gilding flakes.
- Find a title for the art work and write it down at the bottom with a white marker.
- And here's a little frame full of light!



# COMPLETION

Exhibit the creations by specifying what the intended goal was as well as the techniques used.

# EXTENSION

Within the framework of a writing project, each child invents a little poem that he will enclose to his creation.



## My notes

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