In the Field

Papa’s Latkes (3’s)
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Oils Well That Ends Well
Teachers of 3's in Miami are using Papa’s Latkes to inspire a series of experiences with oil that include cooking and science experiments. They are comparing potatoes, and categorizing them by size, shape, and color. Cooking in conjunction with this book provides a great opportunity to learn adjectives, such as overdone, underdone, lumpy, or crisp.

Oil Painting in Israel
Preparations for Hanukkah are in full swing in Israeli preschools, and olive oil takes center stage. Perhaps it is no coincidence that this is the season of the olive harvest. One school featured colorful paintings using oil-based crayons, which were painted over with oil to create beautiful effects.

Lots of Latkes
Illustrations in Papa’s Latkes show latkes piles to the ceiling. B’nai Aviv ECE Center in Broward County intends to find out if that’s possible. After reading the book, teachers will provide blocks and materials for stacking.
Engaging Families

Hanukkah Spinner

Amy Schwartz of the Jewish Learning Venture in Philadelphia suggest "Thanksgivukkah" is a great way to help families talk about being thankful for eight nights. She created this fun spinner to trigger family conversations.