

Rituals from Afar

TEACHING TORAH SAFELY & SUCCESSFULLY OUTDOORS

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IN THIS WEBINAR:

- 1. Why Teach in Nature**
- 2. How To Teach Experientially**
- 3. How To Leave No Trace**
- 4. How To Assess Risk**
- 5. Where's My Nature?**
- 6. How Can I Teach This?**



WHY TEACH IN NATURE



1. Incubating Emunah

מה־רבו מעשיך ה' כלם בחכמה עשית מלאה הארץ
קנייך - תהילים ק"ד:כ"ד

2. Stewarding the Earth

ויקח ה' אלקים את־האדם וינחהו בגן־עדן
לעבדה ולשמרה - בראשית ב:ט"ו

3. Compassion For Creatures

כל המרחם על הבריות מרחמין עליו מן השמים
שבת קנ"א:

4. Living Tzedaka

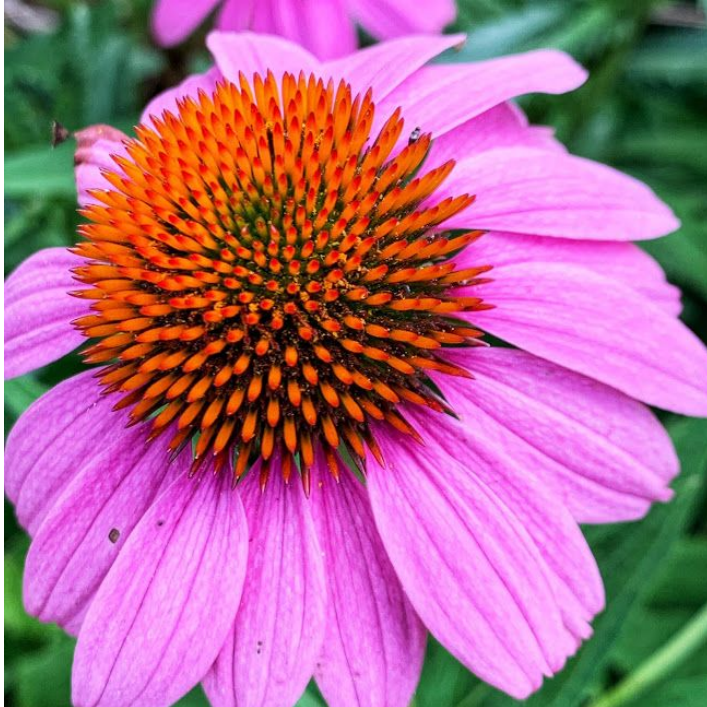
אלו דברים שאין להם שיעור הפאה - פאה א"א

HOW TO TEACH EXPERIENTIALLY



www.ieje.org	CONCRETE	ABSTRACT
Participation	Participation is firsthand	Participation is removed
Influence	Involvement impacts the outcome	Involvement bears no impact
Sensory	Many senses are stimulated	Senses are typically limited to talking and listening
Novelty	Experience includes discovery & newness	Experience is familiar

HOW TO LEAVE NO TRACE



1. Plan ahead and prepare
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces
3. Disposal of waste properly
4. Leave what you find
5. Minimize campfire impacts
6. Respect wildlife
7. Be considerate of others

www.leavenotrace.org

HOW TO ASSESS RISK



- Temperature
- Clothing
- Insects
- Landscape
- Surroundings
- Security Protocols
- Lost Student



WHERE'S MY NATURE?



- Lawn & Landscaping
 - Scavenger Hunt
 - Free Plant ID apps
 - PictureThis
 - iNaturalist
- Local Parks & Forests
 - Trail Finder
 - Forest Finder
 - Teva

HOW CAN I TEACH THIS



- [Try-It-At-Home](#)
- [Early Childhood](#)
- [Sign up for:](#)
 - Weekly Parsha
 - Chagim
 - 18 core environmental lessons + sources

