Make a special reverse silhouette hand print for an important person in your life, like your father, grandfather, or someone who has been like a father to you!

The gift of your handprint is a treasured way to show your appreciation for someone! Create a reverse silhouette for someone special in your life.

A silhouette is an image of an object or person that is represented in a shape of one color—usually black—which stands out because of its contrast to its background. Instead of creating a traditional silhouette of your hand, make a reverse silhouette by tracing your hand onto a piece of paper and then outlining it with colorful dots.

Materials Needed:
Your own hand; pencil/pen; Coloring supplies; Scissors; Two pieces of paper
Optional: Paint, Q-Tips, Stickers

Step 1: Draw your hand out onto a piece of paper. Then cut out the silhouette of your hand.
Step 2: Secure your hand cutout into the middle of a second piece of paper with a piece of tape. Put the tape on the back on the cutout—do not tape over the outside lines of the cutout.
Step 3: Outline your hand using dots! Use paint and Q-tips, or markers, crayons, stickers—anything!
Step 4: Write your nice message in the middle. We chose a hand-based pun: “You’re the best—hands down!”

The above reverse silhouette was made with kid-friendly acrylic paint and Q-tips.

In this image, you can see the hand cutout on another piece of paper. The tape is on the back of the hand and is not visible.