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## **KEEP YOUR CANDLE SAFE**



1. Place dry sand and candle in a jar



2. Light candle with another candle



 Candle flame should not burn higher than the jar



4. Place jar on a stable surface away from the edge

## SAFE USE OF CANDLES IN A GLASS JAR

- Never leave a burning candle unattended
- Always supervise children near fire, flames or candles
- Place your candle jar on a sturdy, uncluttered surface away from the edge or any place where it could be knocked over, especially by children
- The DRY sand acts to smother the flame if the jar is knocked over
- Light the candle carefully, ensuring that you do not burn yourself use the other half candle
- Extinguish all candles when you leave the house or go to sleep
- Never leave young children alone in a room with a candle or any flame
- Always keep candles away from anything that can burn like curtains, newspaper, clothing & hanging decorations
- Place lit candles away from windows or near doorways where drafts could bring combustibles in contact with the flame

## **GENERAL CARE OF CANDLE IN A GLASS JAR**

- Reuse a glass jar without the lid save the Earth's resources
- Always remove the wax from the sand / soil every time your candle is finished or burnt down
- Ensure that you refill the glass jar with DRY sand / soil with every change of candle to the level of at least 1/3 of the jar
- Should the glass start to get smoky, clean it when you remove the wax
- · The glass jar makes the candlelight brighter
- Use only half a candle so the flame is lower than the top of the jar

## **BROKEN GLASS**

- Do take care of the glass if the jar is cracked or broken
- Collect any pieces of broken glass & dispose of them safely by wrapping them in thick newspaper.
- Ensure that all the glass pieces are swept up to avoid cuts.





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