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Beginner lessons for Candle Basics

Unlock Your Creativity with Candle Making Basics!

DEFINITION

Candle making is the art of creating candles using wax, wicks, and fragrances. It's a fun hobby that allows for personal expression and relaxation.

KEY CONCEPTS

Wax Types

Different waxes like paraffin, soy, and beeswax affect burn time and scent throw.

Wick Selection

Choosing the right wick size and type is crucial for an even burn and proper scent release.

Fragrance Oils

Adding fragrance oils enhances the candle's scent, but the amount must be measured carefully.

Molding Techniques

Candles can be poured into molds or containers, affecting their shape and design.

Safety Precautions

Always work in a well-ventilated area and handle hot wax with care to avoid burns.

EXAMPLES

- Making a soy candle with lavender fragrance.
- Creating a layered candle using different colored waxes.
- Using a mason jar as a candle container.

MEMORY TIPS

- ★ Remember 'Wick, Wax, and Whiff' for the essentials of candle making.
- ★ Use 'Mold Your Safety' to recall the importance of safety in candle crafting.
- ★ Think of 'Scented Layers' to remember the layering technique for candles.

COMMON MISTAKES

- ✗ Using the wrong wick size leading to uneven burning.
- ✗ Overheating wax, which can cause it to lose scent.
- ✗ Not allowing candles to cure properly before burning.

QUICK RECAP

Candle making involves selecting the right wax, wick, and fragrance for your project. Remember to prioritize safety and allow your candles to cure for the best results.