

## **ARTWORK WITH CANDLES**

1. Preparation of decorated wax candles, wax candles and oil candles.

## **Equipment and materials:**

- Big, white wax candles, according to the number of participants
- Transparent wax cubes
- Panda crayons in several colours
- Electric or gas ring
- Several out of use saucepans
- Carving and engraving tools (nails, clips and similar sharp tools)

## **Preparation:**

- In each saucepan melt several cubes of wax, plus a Panda crayon in one colour.
- 2. In order to prepare a wax candle in one colour, dip it into the boiling wax for several seconds, and remove it to cool down.
  - In order to prepare a candle decorated with several colours, dip the candle on one side in a certain colour and cool it for several second. Then dip the candle on the other side in another colour and remove it to cool, and so on repeat the action several times until you create "stripes" along the entire candle. It is advisable to use tongs to hold the candles and be careful not to burn yourself.
- 3. When the candle is still warm you can cut and carve shapes in the coating.
- 4. Preparation of oil candles from clay
  - **Equipment and materials:**

Brown clay (a lump the size of a fist for each participant), a bowl of water, a kiln to









fire the clay, tools for engraving in the clay of various sizes.

## **Preparation:**

- 1. Soften the clay by kneading and working the material for 5 minutes.
- 2. You can create the candle in two parts and then join them together, or prepare one batch of clay and mould it into a candle.
- 3. You can create candles like ancient candles or prepare a new form.
- 4. After the candle is ready divide it from the exterior with the help of water, and check that there are no holes or cracks so that the oil will not drip.
  Using the engraving tool, decorate the candle delicately.
- 5. You may use well known Jewish symbols that appear on ancient candles, such as a Star of David, a Menorah, Jerusalem, olive leaves and more.
- 6. After the candle is ready put it into the clay kiln for firing. In order to light the candle pour the oil into the cavity, place a wick, light it, as they did in the olden times.



