

# *Candle, Wick, Flame*

## *Part 1 - Candle*

### Number to Light

- a. One is sufficient, custom is 2 for "zochor" and "shomor"
- b. Custom of adding a candle for each child
- c. Single girls would light one (before the Mother)

### The Candle

- a. Wax (or oil, etc.)
- b. Large enough to burn during the meal

### Time and Place of Lighting

- a. 18 minutes before sunset
- b. daven mincha, give tzedaka, light candles
- c. after dressed for Shabbos (preferably)
- d. should be on or near the table where the meal will be eaten
- e. 2 women should not share a candelabra

### Technicalities

- a. Light
- b. Drop match
- c. Spread hands out and move inward 3 times
- d. Cover eyes
- e. Say blessing:  
"... asher kideshanu b'mitzvosav vitzivonu l'hadlich ner shel shabbos kodesh"
- f. Say private prayer
- g. Enjoy the light of the candles

See also Chapters 19 and 35 of Tanya