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## HOW TO PLAY SAFE WITH FIRECRACKERS

**1. Avoid daredevilry:** Don't be overexcited while handling firecrackers. Kids should always be accompanied by their parent, so that they don't get hurt.

**2. Read the instructions:** Read the manual provided with each firework carefully, since different crackers have different instructions. Never throw fireworks or lighted crackers randomly.

**3. Mind the gap:** Always keep



fireworks at arm's length and away from the body before lighting the fuse.

**4. Store well:** Do not carry fireworks in your pockets; keep them in their packet till you intend to use them. Do not put them in a place where the temperature is too high. Also, make sure you don't store them in tins, glass jars or bottles.

**5. Space matters:** Light crackers in an open space and never inside a house. Also, never try to put them out in a closed container. Make sure you light them on a smooth, flat surface, away from the house, dry leaves and flammable materials.

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