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Make a Fire Starter

Fire starters are used at Camp to help light our charcoal fires. You can use these materials to make a fire starter to help light your family or Scout Troop's wood or charcoal fire the next time you go camping.

Instructions:

- Place empty egg carton section on paper baking cup. Pour wood shavings into egg carton section.
- Pull tea light candle out of metal holder, and place candle on top of wood shavings. If you can't get the candle out of the holder, no problem – just turn the holder upside down and place on top of wood shavings, so wax will pour onto the wood shavings when the wax melts.
- Place these items back inside the plastic bag and zip it shut.
- Between 11 am and 2 pm, bring your Fire Starter outside, along with a piece of aluminum foil (or a Solar Cooker, if you have one). Place Fire Starter on top of shiny side of foil (or in the Solar Cooker).
- If it is breezy, you might need to tape the Fire Starter bag down so it doesn't blow away.
- Let sit for 1-2 hours until wax has melted all over the wood shavings.
- Yay – that's it! You can keep it in this bag until you are ready to use it to start a fire.
- To use, remove from plastic bag, nestle fire starter among unlit charcoal or prepared firewood, then light edges of the egg carton.

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