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TAKE ACTION TO PREVENT LEAD POISONING

- **Eat Healthy Food**
- **Test Kids for Lead**
- **Wash Hands and Toys**
- **Wet Clean**
- **Leave Shoes at Door**
- **Hire a Professional**

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Do all that you can to protect your child from becoming lead poisoned.
HELP YOUR CHILD AVOID THESE SOURCES OF LEAD

- House and car keys
- Workers exposed to lead
- Importing candy
- Fishing and hunting supplies
- Imported spices
- Vinyl or plastic mini-blinds
- Lead-glazed pottery
- Toys and toy jewelry
- Lead paint outside older homes
- Lead paint inside older homes
- Unsafe home repair
- Lead pipes and drinking water

Some herbal drinks and teas as well as home remedies like Azarcon, Ba-Baw-San, Daw Tway, Daw Kyin, Ghasard, Greta, and Paylooah may contain lead.

Some items used for worship, like kumkum, sindoor, and eye make-up such as kohl, kajal, al-Kahal, surma, tiro, tozali, and kwalli may contain lead.