

## Family Sand Ritual

*Spouse 1* and *Spouse 2* have decided to share a special ritual today with their parents, symbolizing the merging of all of their lives as a family.

*(Insert parents' names here)*, would you join us at the table.

*(Insert parents' names here)*, there is one colour for each of your families in your jars. Each of you have your own unique beauty, strength, and character.

We begin with a layer of white sand, which symbolizes the foundation of your relationship. White is often the colour of weddings. It is the colour of pure Light. It is representative of the love that this couple share now and into the future.

*(James pours the white sand)*

Now, let's start with *Parents of Spouse 1*. Please pour in your sand.

*Parents of Spouse 2* you are next. Pour in your sand.

These two colours represent the roots from which this couple have come from separately. It is representative of their parent's generation; the love and guidance that has brought *Spouse 1* and *Spouse 2* together. It represents the love that their parents have shared.

Now *Spouse 2*, please pour your sand into this larger jar.

Next, *Spouse 1*, please pour in your sand.

This represents the combined strength of your love for each other, which provides a firm and solid foundation for marriage.

*Finally, I will add another layer of white sand,  
representing all your guests and loved ones who, in  
love, support you as a family.*

*(James pours the white sand)*

**Need:**

- **6 jars**
  - **1 for parents of Spouse 1 (sand colour 1)**
  - **1 for parents of Spouse 2 (sand colour 2)**
  - **1 for Spouse 1 (sand colour 3)**
  - **1 for Spouse 2 (sand colour 4)**
  - **1 for Celebrant (white sand)**
  - **1 central and larger jar where all sand will be combined**