Candles burning in the night Just like a child's life We've got to save them Candles burning in the night Just like a child's life We've got to save them Jah in all my days I'm so ashamed To see what's really happening They're running all about They're so out of order And have no behaviour Candles burning in the night Just like a child's life We've got to save them Candles burning at both ends How can they last the night Jah give I the knowledge now To expect that which I cannot change Give I the wisdom To know the difference And give I the courage To change what I can Candles burning in the night Just like a child's life We've got to save them Candles burning at both ends How can they ever expect to learn If they don't listen How can they ever expect to learn If they don't look and see Experiences of life Have taught them nothing They know not that it is they And them alone Can set us free Candles burning in the night Just like a child's life We've got to save them Candles burning at both ends How can they last the night