



# "SNOWBALL" LAUNCHER FOR INDOOR FUN

## **MATERIALS:**

PLASTIC DISPOSABLE CUP (A 9 OZ. CLEAR PLASTIC CUP WORKS WELL)

LARGE BALLOON (RUBBER, VINYL, OR LATEX)

SCISSORS

LARGE COTTON BALL OR STYROFOAM BALL (LARGE ENOUGH TO ALMOST FILL THE CUP BUT WITH ROOM TO MOVE)

## **DIRECTIONS:**

1. HAVE AN ADULT USE SCISSORS OR A SHARP KNIFE TO CUT OFF THE BOTTOM OF THE CUP.
2. CUT OFF JUST THE VERY TOP OF THE BALLOON. TEST TO SEE THE BALLOON IS THE RIGHT SIZE BY PLACE IT OVER THE BOTTOM OF THE CUP THAT WAS CUT OFF. THE BALLOON SHOULD FIT OVER THE BOTTOM OF THE CUP AND THE SIDES OF THE BALLOON SHOULD COVER AT LEAST HALF OF THE CUT. IT'S GREAT IF THE SIDES OF THE CUP ARE COMPLETELY COVERED BY THE BALLOON.
3. CAREFULLY REMOVE THE BALLOON AND TIE THE END THAT WAS NOT CUT, JUST LIKE YOU WOULD TIE A BALLOON AFTER FILLING IT WITH AIR.
4. PUT THE BALLOON BACK OVER THE END OF THE CUP.
5. HOLD THE CUP UPRIGHT AND PUT THE COTTON BALL OR STYROFOAM BALL INSIDE THE CUP.
6. TIP THE CUP SLIGHTLY DOWN AND AWAY FROM YOUR FACE, PULL THE TIED END OF THE BALLOON OUT SO THAT IT STRETCHES TIGHT, HOLD TIGHT TO THE CUP, AND LET GO OF THE END OF THE BALLOON. THIS ACTION SHOULD LAUNCH THE BALL INTO THE AIR.
7. YOU CAN MAKE THE BALL GO SHORT OR LONG DISTANCES BASED ON THE ANGLE YOU HOLD THE CUP AND HOW TIGHT YOU PULL THE BALLOON END.

