

JUGGLING BALLS



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Directions:

1. Pour about half a cup of rice or birdseed into an empty water or soft drink bottle. (If you don't have a funnel, make one from the top of a second bottle.)

* The size of your juggling balls depends on the amount of rice or birdseed you use.

2. Inflate a balloon to about the size of a grapefruit, twist the neck and stretch it over the neck of the bottle.

3. Turn the bottle upside down so all the rice falls into the inflated balloon – then remove the balloon from the bottle and let it deflate.

4. Cut the neck off the balloon – the rice/birdseed will stay in the balloon.

5. Cut the neck off a second balloon and stretch it over the hole to seal the rice into your juggling ball.

*(You could stop now and use the ball like this, but they look heaps better if you add more balloons for some patterns and color.)

6. Cut the neck off then cut a piece off the top off a third balloon and stretch it over the ball to get a single stripe of color.

7. You can cut lots of very small holes in a balloon by pinching it between your finger and thumb and carefully cutting off the tips – remove the neck and stretch over a ball to make spotty patterns.

8. Done! You've just made some fantastic juggling balls ... now all you have to do is learn how to juggle!

A note from Page
This one has lots of
layers so make sure
you keep track of
where you are in
the directions

It takes a LOT of skill to be a juggler, but today you get to try with some REAL homemade juggling balls. These are perfect for anyone that dreams of going on a wacky adventure and joining the circus.



Materials:

- Bag of Bird Seed (try to get the kind without sunflower seeds)
- Three 9inch balloons
- Scissors
- Plastic Water Bottle
- Funnel

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