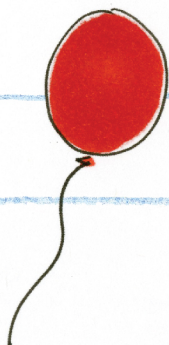


BALLOON GAMES



Running Races

Have everyone run with an inflated balloon between their legs.

Balloon Races

Mark balloons with a felt-tip pen, then set them floating across a pool (or bathtub if you're using water balloons) to see which one gets across to the other side first.

Hot Potato

Pass the balloon until the music stops and the person stuck with the "hot potato" is "burned."

Don't Let it Drop

Hit a balloon back and forth seeing how often you can pass it without falling. Or make it a race, where pairs try to run to a finish line while passing it back and forth. You can also play this as a version of solitaire--how many times can you toss the balloon up in the air and catch it successfully.

Dodgeball

Fill the balloon with air to make the game less painful than a rubber ball for little kidsh.

Monkey in the Middle

Have someone stand in the middle while everyone tosses a balloon—air or water-filled—while they try to catch it.

Protect Your Balloon

Have each child tie a balloon on a string around their ankle; the goal of the game is to protect your balloon while trying to bust everyone else's, with the winner being the last balloon standing.

Juggling Contests

Who can keep three mini balloons (or water balloons!) in the air

Scavenger Hunts

Hide water balloons around the yard or air filled ones inside the house for kids to find.

Balance Games

Act like a seal and see who can balance the balloon on their nose for the longest time. Or rub it in your hair, "stick" it there with static electricity and see who can keep their balloon "crown" the longest.

