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# Balloon Lantern

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**Easy Peazy**

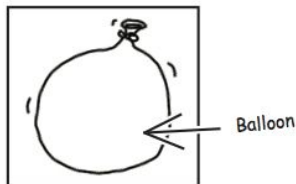
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Cheap, cheerful and easy to make - the balloon lantern is perfect for carrying in parades and community gatherings. Suitable for children.

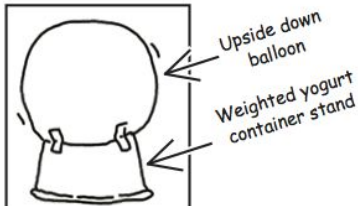
### Materials Needed:

Balloon  
Yogurt pot  
(weighted)  
Vaseline  
Plastic wrap  
Tissue paper  
(white & coloured)  
White glue  
(clear drying)  
Brush and glue pot  
Hot glue  
Tealight  
Tape  
String  
3' Bamboo pole

**1.** Inflate the balloon and place upside down in a weighted yogurt container knot-down. Tape to hold.



Balloon



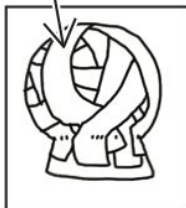
Upside down balloon  
Weighted yogurt container stand

**2.** Spread a thin layer of vaseline over balloon, and cover with plastic wrap.

**3.** Mix white glue with equal parts water. Brush a layer of glue on the exposed balloon. Tear white tissue paper into strips and cover the balloon.

**4.** Complete three layers of tissue and glue.

Papier Mache Balloon



Now you're ready to light the parade!

**5.** Decorate balloon with colored tissue pieces or cut out images and glue them on. **Remember** the lantern is upside down, so adjust images to read when turned over. The lighter the tissue, the brighter the lantern!

Decorated upside down lantern



**6.** After the tissue has dried, pop the balloon and remove it and the plastic wrap. Cut evenly around the top to create a clean edge. Hot-glue or tape a tealight to the bottom.

Tealight glued in place

Trimmed lantern



**7.** Punch 3 equidistant holes near the top of the lantern & attach 3 strings. Tie together & attach to the bamboo pole. Secure to with tape. Light tealight!

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