

Ann's Creative Corner

Project #164: Balloon Tennis

- Supplies: Balloons, Knee high Stockings, Wire Hangers, Strong Tape.
- Place a deflated round balloon into the top of the knee high.
- Blow the balloon up ensuring that it stays securely into the knee-high stocking.
- When the size is fitted properly, tie the balloon at the end to secure the air tightness.
- Check to be sure the balloon is securely into the stocking as you will need some stocking ends to tie closed. This is for balloon safety in case the balloon pops. (Balloon material is a choking hazard for children)
- If you need to push the balloon down, push it gently to secure into the stocking.
- Tie the end of the stocking.
- Next take your wire hanger and form it into a diamond shape by pulling it.
- Slip another stocking over this as tight as you can get it.
- Fold the hanger loop edge as tight as possible and wrap it securely with Duct Tape or another strong, non-toxic tape.
- Play tennis! This project is recommended for 3 years old and older children, but some toddlers may be interested in hitting the balloon with the "Tennis Racket"
- We did tie the stocking balloon to a post with light weight ribbon and this worked very well with the toddlers as the balloon did not fly away!

Activities: Balloon Tennis. Balloon Tether Ball (tie covered balloon to post)

