

Light Bulb Balloon

Supplies:

- Yellow or white balloon
- Tin foil
- Fishing line
- Clear tape
- Scissors
- Mini helium tank (optional)



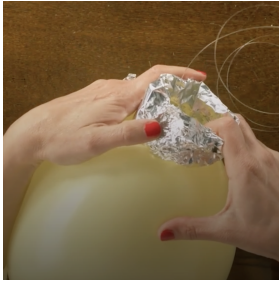
Steps:

	Step 1: Inflate the balloon with helium and close it with a secure knot.
	Step 2: Cut three feet of fishing line and tie it to the bottom of the balloon.
	Step 3: Cut a piece of tin foil that is about eight inches wide.
	Step 4: Fold the tin foil lengthwise into a fan shape to create the bottom of the light bulb.





Step 5: Wrap the tin foil into a circle and secure the ends together by gently squeezing the foil.



Step 6: Slide the string through the tin foil circle and tape the foil circle securely to the bottom of the balloon.

Who is Thomas Edison, and what did he invent? Thomas Edison was a renowned American inventor. His key inventions include the phonograph, the kinetograph, the alkaline storage battery, and the incandescent light bulb.

Fun Facts:

- Although Edison wasn't known for being a great student, he began conducting experiments on his own by the time he was 12 years old.
- Edison's team tested thousands of materials to try to find the right kind of filament for the light bulb. His invention of the lightbulb took America into the Electrical Age.
- Throughout his lifetime, the U.S. government granted Thomas Edison 1093 patents, a record during his time.