

Instructions for Qualatex® Party Graduate

We've included the item numbers for items available from U.S. Balloon Co. For other items listed, they are available at most hardware stores.

To keep assembly time to a minimum, gather the materials and read through the instructions before beginning.

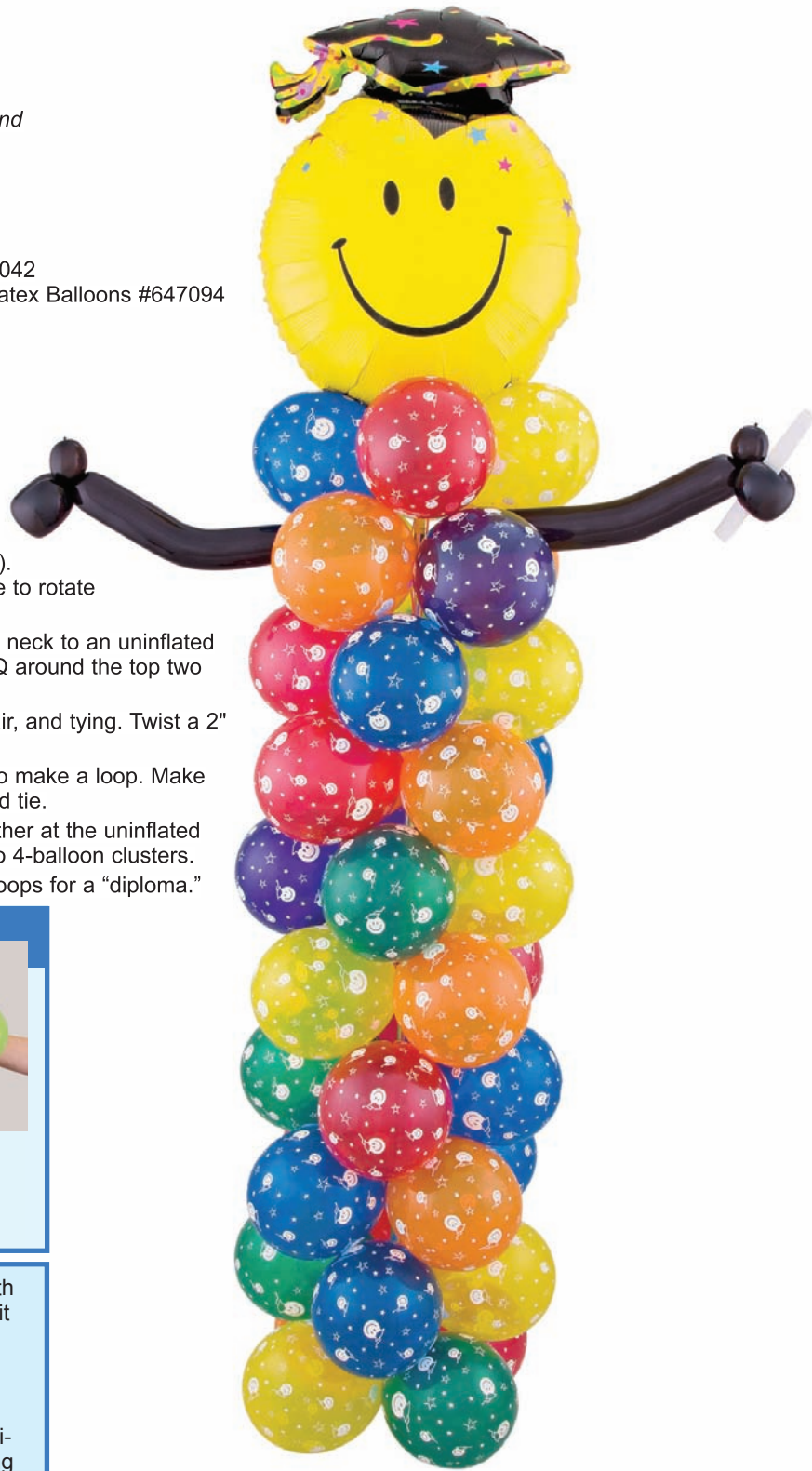
Labor: About 15 Minutes

Materials:

- 1 36" (91cm) "Smile Face Party Grad" Microfoil® Shape #675042
- 24 11" (28cm) "Smile Face Party Grads" Jewel Assortment Latex Balloons #647094
- 3 350Q Onyx Black Latex Balloons #725501
- 1 7' (2m) Piece of ½" (1.3cm) Conduit
- White Base Plate #562113
- Double-sided Tape or Glue Dots®
- Paper

Instructions:

1. Insert the base plate into the conduit.
2. Make 4-balloon clusters (see "4-Balloon Cluster" below) of 11" "Smile Face Party Grads" latex inflated to 10½" (27cm). Wrap them onto the conduit starting at the base, making sure to rotate each cluster 45 degrees so they nest.
3. Helium inflate the 36" "Smile Face Party Grad" and tie the neck to an uninflated 350Q. Nest the Shape into the top cluster and wrap the 350Q around the top two clusters and tie.
4. Make an "arm" by fully inflating a 350Q, releasing a little air, and tying. Twist a 2" (5cm) bubble opposite the knot, then a 4" (10cm) bubble.
5. Bend the 4" bubble in half and twist the "twists" together to make a loop. Make another twist halfway up the 350Q, deflate the remainder, and tie.
6. Repeat Steps 4-5 for a second arm and tie the arms together at the uninflated ends. Wrap the arms around the conduit between the top two 4-balloon clusters.
7. Roll up the paper and place it in the center of one of the loops for a "diploma."



4-Balloon Cluster

1. Inflate and size two balloons, then tie the necks together. Repeat to make a second pair, then twist the two pairs together to make a 4-balloon cluster.



2. Wrap the cluster onto the conduit by separating two of the balloons in the cluster, pushing the cluster onto the conduit, then twisting together the two balloons that were separated.

TIPS

- Try creating a lightweight sign decorated with the graduate's name and pictures and glue it to the Party Grad's hands.
- Place this smiling grad at the entrance to parties to welcome guests, or set him up as a photo prop for the graduate to pose with.
- Customize this design by replacing the multi-colored latex balloons with balloons featuring the grad's school colors.

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