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GOOD

SHOT

Apparatus:

- 2 balloons
- 1-meter long string
- Cello tape
- Scissors
- A glass half full of water

Be ready to play:



Blow a balloon. Tie up its mouth. Attach it to a meter-long string. Stick or tie the other end of the string to the centre of a door frame and let the balloon at the end of the string dangle in the door frame.

Blow the other balloon halfway and hold tight its mouth. Take some water in your mouth and spit it into the balloon till one quarter of the balloon is water and the remaining three quarters is air. Now tie the mouth of the balloon. Hold this air-water balloon in your hand to feel how the water shifts when you move your hand.

Let's play:

Stand 15 paces away from the dangling balloon. Hold the air-water balloon in your hand and aiming carefully, hit the other balloon before you.

Be careful; the air-water balloon will start playing tricks as soon as you move your hand back for the throw and that will confuse you thoroughly.

The trick in this game lies in how you hold the balloon: up, flat or tilted. And remember, holding the balloon right is all about how you balance the water in it. Do that and you can hit the target.



To be a good shot, you have to steady the balloon in your hand and also take a steady aim.

You are out if you :

- Step out of your place when you throw the balloon.
- Lean forward too far when you throw the balloon.
- Get help or seek support when you throw the balloon.

Each player gets 7 chances in the first round

And

6 chances in the second round.

The first player to get 9 point, wins.

More fun:

- Try playing this game with the left hand instead of the right hand.....

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