## **CUTE SANTA STANDUP**





## Christmas

## **Product Required:**

- 1 x Anagram Smiley Santa SuperShape 4334201
- 6 x 5" Sempertex Fashion White 20001968
- 4 x Sempertex 12" Fashion Black 20000781
- 1 x Sempertex 24" Fashion Red 20012057
- 2 x Sempertex 5" Fashion Red 20001971
- 2 x Sempertex 5" Fashion Black 20001988
- 1 x Sempertex 360 Fashion Black 20001320
- 1 x Sempertex 260 Reflex Gold 20014180
- 1 Black Foil Balloon weight 991365-10

Scraps of 260

Balloon Bond, rubber cement or glue dots

Estimated Labour time: 15 minutes.

## **Construction Method:**

- 1. Inflate the four 12" Fashion Black balloons with air, so that they measure 8" and tie into two duplets. Twist into a cluster of 4, or "quad".
- 2. Twist the quad around the neck of the balloon weight so that the weight is under the quad, and the tassel is on the top.
- 3. Inflate the 24" Fashion Red balloon fully, then deflate.
- 4. Tie a 260 scrap several times to create a small "bobble" or "raisin". Drop this inside the 24" balloon.
- 5. Position the "raisin" in the very top of the 24" balloon, pinch tightly through the balloon and tie 260 scrap around several times tightly to trap it in place. Leave the loose ends of 260 scrap untrimmed.
- 6. Inflate the 24" balloon with air to measure approximately 20". Tie, then tie the 24" balloon into the quad of 12" balloons, using its neck.
- 7. Create a cluster of 4 with 5" Fashion white balloons inflated to 4".
- 8. Inflate the Foil Santa Head balloon with air, then wrap the neck through and around the quad of 5" balloons several times so that the quad is tightly and firmly secured under the head.
- 9. Attach the head to the body by wrapping the loose ends of the 260 scrap on top of the body through the quad of 5" balloons under the foil. Ensure it's tight and secure.
- 10. Inflate the Black 360 balloon fully, let a little air out to soften, and tie.
- 11. Create a "buckle" from the reflex gold 260 by twisting the following: pinch twist/2" bubble/pinch twist/ tiny bubble/tiny bubble/pinch twist/2" bubble/pinch twist, tiny bubble/tiny bubble. Deflate excess balloon and tie the final tiny bubble into the first pinch twist.
- 12. Tie the knot of the 360 to the buckle between two of the tiny bubbles. Wrap the 360 around the 24" to form the belt and tie off to the other side of the buckle, deflating any excess.
- 13. Inflate one of the 5'' Red fully, then deflate to 4''. Inflate  $1 \times 5''$  white fully and deflate to 3''. Tie the red and white balloons together, as close to the neck roll of the red balloon as possible. Push the knots through the 5'' and tie with a 260 scrap, creating an apple twist in the 5''. Inflate  $1 \times 5''$  Black to 4'' and tie tightly to the 260 scraps in the middle of the 5'' apple twist.
- 14. Create the other arm by repeating step 14 and finish by glueing the arms to the body.

This simple design can be adapted to suit may occasions using the range of foil heads available and by changing a few colours and details to suit.

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