

Instructions for Qualatex® Black-tie Guy Stand-up

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

Black-tie Guy Stand-up

Labor: About 15 Minutes

Materials:

1 16" (41cm) "A Smile & A Kiss" Yellow Latex Balloon 42763
4 11" (28cm) Onyx Black Latex Balloons 43737
5 646Q Giant Airship Onyx Black Latex Balloons 75452
1 646Q Giant Airship White Latex Balloon 75451
2 6" (15cm) Ruby Red Latex Hearts 43647
5 5" (13cm) Ruby Red Latex Balloons 43601
2 5" White Latex Balloons 43607
2 350Q Onyx Black Latex Balloons 44036
Sand Weight & Cool Glue

Instructions:

1. Air inflate three Onyx Black 646Qs to 33" (84cm) each, then tie the necks together to make a 3-balloon cluster.

NOTE: All balloons must be inflated to the same size for the stand-up to remain upright.

2. To make the "feet," air inflate the four 11" Onyx Black balloons to about 9" (23cm) and make a 4-balloon cluster. Tie the cluster to the sand weight. **NOTE: For best results, always use a sand weight rather than a water weight.**

Make the sand weight with a 16" latex balloon filled to softball size, then flattened on the bottom. Tie the Onyx Black 646Q cluster to the "feet" and sand weight.

3. Air inflate two Onyx Black and one White 646Q to 17" (43cm) each, then tie the necks together to make a 3-balloon cluster. **NOTE: All balloons must be inflated to the same size for the stand-up to remain upright.**

4. Lay the Onyx Black 646Q cluster down on a flat surface, then lay the Onyx Black/White 646Q cluster on top of it, rotating the top cluster 60 degrees.

5. Bring the tips of the Onyx Black 646Q cluster up and tie them together. Then, bring the tips of the Onyx Black/White 646Q cluster up and tie them together. Push the bottom of the Onyx Black/White cluster into the top of the Onyx Black cluster, "locking" the joint.

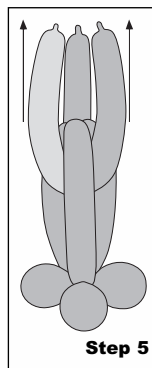
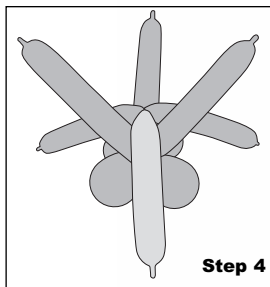
6. Inflate three 5" Ruby Red balloons to 4" (10cm) and tie into a cluster for a "cummerbund." Push the 5" cluster between the joint of the 646Q clusters, twisting two of the 5" balloons around each other to secure.

7. Air inflate the "A Smile & A Kiss" balloon to 14" (36cm) and tie to the knot of the Onyx Black/White 646Q cluster.

8. To make the "arms," inflate two Onyx Black 350Qs, leaving about 1" (2.5cm) uninflated on each, then tie into a duplet. About 13" (33cm) from the knot of one 350Q, make a 2" (5cm) pinch twist for the "elbow." Repeat on the second 350Q.

9. Wrap the 350Q duplet around the intersection of the Onyx Black/White 646Q cluster and the "A Smile & A Kiss" balloon, twisting the two 350Q arms around each other to secure. Tie the ends of the 350Qs together to make the "wrists."

10. To make the "gloves," air inflate two 5" White balloons to 3" (7.6cm) and tie into a duplet. Wrap the duplet around the intersection of the 350Q wrists.



- 11.** Inflate the two 6" Ruby Red Hearts and tie into a duplet. Inflate two 5" Ruby Red balloons to 4", tie into a duplet, and combine with the 6" Hearts to make a "bow tie" cluster.
- 12.** Attach the bow tie by pulling one of the 4" balloons away from the bow tie, pushing the cluster onto the "neck," and twisting the two 4" balloons around each other to secure, leaving one 4" balloon in front, one in back, and the 6" Hearts to either side.
- 13.** Attach helium-filled balloons to the wrists.

TIPS

- Customize Character Stand-ups with your choice of helium-inflated message balloons. With inflated balloons attached, the stand-up's arms bob up and down, adding even more personality to this fun sculpture!
- Use the "Black-tie Guy" to deliver romance for Valentine's Day, as well as birthdays and anniversaries.
- Switch out the "A Smile & A Kiss" balloon for other 16" printed face balloons to create a friendly greeter for formal occasions, including fund-raisers, dinner parties, and even weddings.
- Give the "Black-tie Guy" stand-up a bouquet of 260Q flowers to hold.
- Suggest the "Black-tie Guy" as a unique way to present a wedding proposal. Simply attach helium-filled balloons in the bride-to-be's favorite colors with a personal message from the groom-to-be. Using Qualatex® Balloon Markers, the handwritten message could be anything from, "Will you marry me?" to "You add a smile to all of my days."
- Decorate your display windows with long-lasting Character Stand-ups for every occasion and holiday.
- Highlight themed displays with Character Stand-ups. For example, show a multicolored stand-up next to birthday products, and create a tropical stand-up (complete with a grass skirt and lei) for luau-themed displays.
- Add balloon accessories, change the balloon colors, and introduce other details to mimic the appearance or attire of *any* recipient!
For example:
 - Cool glue uninflated 260Qs to the 16" printed face balloon for "hair."
 - Add 160Q balloon "earrings" and a "necklace."
 - Use Qualatex Balloon Markers to "monogram" the shirt, draw on long "eyelashes," and apply "makeup" to the 16" printed face balloon.
- **To keep Character Stand-ups looking fresh for a week or more, coat all balloons with Balloon Shine™ latex balloon treatment**

Pinch Twist

To make a pinch twist, create a 2" bubble. To make a bubble, pinch the balloon and twist it several times. Move 2" farther and make another twist, making sure to twist in the same direction both times. Loop your index finger under the bubble. Grasp the sides of the bubble with your thumb and index finger, and stretch it up until you can pinch the twists together. Remove your index finger, and twist the pinched bubble at least three times in one direction to secure it.

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