

Make A Balloon Powered Sled

Your job, if you choose to accept it, is to create a sled that that moves under its own power...

You will need:

a piece of thin cardboard

balloons

rubber bands

straw

tape.

Build your sled and test it on various surfaces, such as: Kitchen floor, Livingroom floor, garage floor, wood deck, and on the grass. Measure how far it travels.

Results #1 Kitchen floor:

Livingroom floor: Garage floor: Wood deck:

Grass:

Explain your results: "Doesn't do well on rough surfaces"

After your first sled experience, apply some smooth tape to the bottom of the cardboard. Test your sled on the various surfaces. Measure how far it travels.

Results #2 Kitchen floor:

Livingroom floor: Garage floor: Wood deck:

Grass:

Explain your results: "Tape helps because the tape surface is smoother than the cardboard"

Are you using just one balloon? What are the rubber bands for?

Change the variables to see what works... Never Give UP!