Fire in the Hole!

Dateline: Chernobyl, Ukraine, USSR.  
Date: 26 April 1986

Comrade:

The People's Democratic Nuclear Plant has suffered a meltdown. You must construct a device to put out the fire quickly before the capitalist press hears about it. The winning fire brigade is the one which puts out the fire fastest.

Because of the radiation, you may not approach closer than 10 feet to the burning reactor.

The finest high-tech materials are assembled for your use:

- unlimited twine

- up to 5 balloons

- a small pot

- Scotch Tape

- Rubber Bands

- Drinking Straws

Note: you may not throw water balloons at the fire. The precision bombing capability of the Red Air Force is not up to the task.

Materials List and Instructions

You will need the following materials:

* twine
* 5 balloons per patrol
* a small pot per patrol
* Scotch Tape
* Rubber Bands
* Drinking Straws
* A cup of water per patrol
* A candle

Setup:

* Set candle inside a circle of 10’ radius

Play:

* Hand each patrol the instructions
* When each patrol is ready, light candle, let patrol try to put it out.