



INSTRUCTIONS LAUNCH COUNTDOWN WHEEL

3, 2, 1, **Blast Off!**

Every rocket launch, including the one launching the AWE mission, has a customized countdown. A countdown begins two days prior to launch and includes the timeline for important tests, tasks, and procedures that are completed by the launch team. During a launch countdown, you will hear “L-minus” indicating how far away the launch is from liftoff in hours and minutes. “T-minus” time is the sequence of events that are built into the launch countdown. When “T-10” gives way to “...5, 4, 3, 2, 1,” you will see colorful flames and clouds and hear an incredible sound as the rocket lifts off!

Build your own launch countdown wheel and prepare to blast off!

Materials needed

- Scissors
- 1 paper fastener

Instructions

1. Cut along the dashed line on the bottom and top disks.
2. Cut along the dashed line of the triangle window on the top disk.
3. Place the top disk on top of the bottom disk.
4. Secure the two disks using a paper fastener.
5. Turn your wheel along with the countdown!



