

## Girl's/Boy's Knitted Beanie

**MATERIALS:** 8 ply yarn and use 4mm knitting needles.

1, 2 or 3 bright colours, small ball of yarn for the band

Medium size contrasting colour for rest of hat

(The good thing is that you can use up all your little balls of wool)

THREE SIZES: Small 2-4 years

Medium 5-9 years

Large 10-14 years

## **BEANIE:**

Using bright colour yarn cast on 97(small), 103 (medium), 109 (large) stitches.

1<sup>st</sup> Row: knit first 2 stitches then purl 1, knit 1, rib to last two stitches, knit 2.

2<sup>nd</sup> Row: knit 1, purl 1, rib to end.

Repeat the above two rows for the band (can be several coloured stripes if you like).

The band can be as wide as you like, 8 to 12 rows is suitable or more if you like.

Change to contrast colour yarn.

Continue with rib rows until work measures 14cm (small), (15cm medium, 16cm large) from beginning. Ending with a 2<sup>nd</sup> row and include one stitch at end of row, 98 (small) 104 (medium), 110 (large) stitches.

## **NEXT ROWS:**

- 1. Knit 1, \*slip 1 stitch, knit 2 stitches together, pass slipped stitch over, rib 13 (small), 14 (medium), 15 (large)\*, repeat from \* to \* to end.
- 2. Rib next row.
- 3. Knit 1, \*slip 1 stitch, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over, rib 11 (small), 12 (medium), 13 (large) stitches\*, repeat from \* to \* to end.
- 4. Rib next row.
- 5. Knit 1, \*slip 1 stitch, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over, rib 9 (small), 10 (medium), 11 (large) stitches\*, repeat from \* to \* to end.
- 6. Rib next row.
- 7. Knit 1, \*slip 1 stitch, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over, rib 7 (small), 8 (medium), 9 (large) stitches\*, repeat from \* to \* to end.

- 8. Rib next row.
- 9. Knit 1, \*slip 1 stitch, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over, rib 5 (small), 6 (medium), 7 (large) stitches\*, repeat from \* to \* to end.
- 10. Rib next row.
- 11. Knit 1, \*slip 1 stitch, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over, rib 3 (small), 4 (medium), 5 (large) stitches\*, repeat from \* to \* to end.
- 12. Rib next row.
- 13. Knit 1, \*slip 1 stitch, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over, rib 1 (small), 2 (medium), 3 (large) stitches\*, repeat from \* to \* to end.
- 14. Rib next row.
- Knit 1, \*slip 1 stitch, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over, rib 0 (small), 0 (medium), 1 (large) stitches\*, repeat from \* to \* to end.
- 16. LARGE SIZE ONLY Rib next row.
- 17. LARGE SIZE ONLY Knit 1, \* slip 1 stitch, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over, rib 0 stitches\*, repeat from \* to \* to end.

With large wool needle, sew thread through remaining 6-8 stitches and draw tight securing thread at end.

Sew side seams together and darn in any loose threads.

