EASY KNITTING PATTERN – Baby Jersey (Mother Theresa style)

These pics give you an idea of the shape of the jersey. Babies would wear a long sleeve top under the jersey.

The knitters of these jerseys had some fun with colours and variations in stitches, but the basic shape is the same as described in the pattern below.

WOOL Double Knit / Chunky (1 x 100g)
NEEDLES Metric 4.5mm or 5mm

1. Cast on 44 stitches.
2. Work 18 rows in rib (knit 2 stitches, purl 2 stitches, repeat).
3. Work 30 rows in stocking stitch (1 row plain, 1 row purl).
4. Cast on 12 stitches at the beginning of the next 2 rows. At the same time, change to rib for the sleeves (knit 2 stitches, purl 2 stitches).
5. Work this rib pattern for 22 more rows.
6. Next row: rib for 21 stitches, cast off 26 stitches, then rib for 21 stitches.
7. Next row: rib for 21 stitches, cast on 26 stitches, then rib for 21 stitches.
8. Work rib for 22 more rows.
9. Cast off 12 stitches at the beginning of the next 2 rows.
10. Work 30 rows in stocking stitch (1 row plain, 1 row purl).
11. Work 18 rows in rib (purl 2, knit 2).
12. Cast off in rib.
13. Stitch the edges of the jersey together with wool.

EASY KNITTING PATTERN – Baby Beanie

WOOL 4 ply Wool (1 x 80g)
NEEDLES Metric 3.25mm and 3mm

1. Using size 3.25mm needles cast on 90 stitches.
2. Work rib (knit 1, purl 1) for 5cm.
3. Change to size 3mm needles and work in any pattern of your choice until work measures 12.5cm.
4. To shape top, work as follows:
   Row 1: (K8, K2 tog) 9 times.
   Row 2: knit
   Row 3: (K7, K2 tog) 9 times.
   Row 4: knit
   Row 5: (K6, K2 tog) 9 times.
   Row 6: knit
   Row 7: (K5, K2 tog) 9 times.
   Row 8: knit
   Row 9: (K4, K2 tog) 9 times.
   Row 10: knit
   Row 11: (K3, K2 tog) 9 times.
   Row 12: knit
   Row 13: (K3, K2 tog) 9 times.
   Row 14: knit
   Row 15: (K1, K2 tog) 9 times.
   Row 16: knit
   Row 17: (K2 tog) 9 times.
5. Cut thread so that it is long enough to sew up the seam. Thread wool through remaining stitches and pull up tightly and sew seam closed.

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