

Simple Basic Child's Hat-Flat or Round

IN THE ROUND

Needle: US #8 16 inch circular or 4 double pointed needles

Cuff

Loosely cast on 70 stitches. Join stitches to work in the round being careful not to twist the stitches. Place marker. Rib for 2 ½ inches.

Body

Work in Stockinette stitch (knit each round) for 5 more inches (7 ½ inches total)

Decrease for Top of Hat

Round One: *Knit 8 stitches, k2tog (knit two stitches together)*, repeat from * to the marker.

Round Two: Knit all stitches

Round Three: *Knit 7 stitches, k2tog* repeat from * to the marker.

Round Four: Knit all stitches

Round Five: *Knit 6 stitches, k2tog* repeat from * to the marker.

Round Six: Knit all stitches

Continue in this way, repeating these two rows, but decreasing the number of stitches between the k2tog each time. Continue until you have 14 stitches. Knit 2 together across the whole row.

Bind Off

Cut the yarn, leaving a 6 inch end. Thread the last 7 stitches onto the yarn end with a blunt yarn needle. Then pull the yarn through them again, to secure the end. The end should then be split and each end woven in on the inside of the hat on the inside to finish off correctly and securely.



KNITTED FLAT

Needle: US #8 straight needles

Cuff

Loosely cast on 70 stitches. Rib for 2 ½ inches.

Body

Work in Stockinette stitch (knit on front side, purl on back side) for 5 more inches (7 ½ inches total)

Decrease for Top of Hat

Row One: *Knit 8 stitches, k2tog (knit two stitches together)*, repeat from * to the end of row.

Row Two: Purl all stitches

Row Three: *Knit 7 stitches, k2tog* repeat from * to the end of row.

Row Four: Purl all stitches

Row Five: *Knit 6 stitches, k2tog* repeat from * to the end of row.

Row Six: Purl all stitches

Continue in this way, repeating these two rows, but decreasing the number of stitches between the k2tog each time. Continue until you have 14 stitches. Knit 2 together across the whole row.

Bind Off

Cut the yarn, leaving a 14 inch end. Thread the last 7 stitches onto the yarn end with a blunt yarn needle. Then pull the yarn through them again, to secure the top. Then sew up the hat along by sewing together the two edges of your knitting down to the cuff. The end should then be split and each end woven in on the inside of the hat on the inside to finish off correctly and securely.