



## Free knitting pattern (intermediate)

### Materials

- 2 x 100g skeins (96m/105yards each) of super bulky yarn in contrasting colours (makes 2 opposite hats of any size combination + pompoms)
- Set of four 9mm (US size 13) DPNs (double pointed needles)
- 1 stitch marker

### Abbreviations

**k** = knit

**p** = purl one

**K2tog** = knit two together

### Sizes are written in the order: Adult (child, toddler, baby)

- Using main colour cast on 54 (48, 42, 36) stitches, spread over 3 DPNs (decreases are easier if there is a multiple of 6 stitches on each needle, so either 12 or 18 stitches on each needle), and join in the round (careful not to twist)
- Place stitch marker at the beginning of the round
- Work in k1p1 ribbing for 6 (6, 3, 3) rounds

### Next round: knit all stitches

(Stitches in pattern colour are highlighted in pink)

Round 1: \*k1, **k1**, k2, **k1**, k1; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 2: \*k3, **k3**; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 3: \***k1**, k1, **k4**; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 4: \***k4**, k1, **k1**; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 5: \***k3**, k3; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 6: \*k1, **k1**, k2, **k1**, k1; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Using main colour, knit all stitches for 9 (5, 4, 1) rounds

### Decreases

Round 1: \*k4, k2tog; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 2 (and every even round): knit all stitches

Round 3: \*k3, k2tog; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 5: \*k2, k2tog; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 7: \*k1, k2tog; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 9: \*k2tog; repeat from \* 9 (8, 7, 6) times

Round 10: knit all stitches

### Finishing

- Cut yarn leaving a long tail and thread through the remaining stitches
- Pull tight and tie to secure
- Weave in ends

