

# Kid's Striped Hat & Mittens

mittens worked in the round afterthought thumb

## materials & gauge:

needed:

- \* hat: 3.75 (US 5) double point or circular needles  
worsted weight yarn  
MC: 200 yards, CC: 15 yards (larger size)
- \* mittens: 3.75 (US 5) double point or circular needles  
worsted weight yarn  
MC: 160 yards, CC: 10 yards (larger size)

gauge: 2" = 10 st/14 r in stockinette  
*all yarn requirements are approximate*

medium: 20" hat circumference, 6 1/2" hand circumference (around knuckles)  
large: 21" hat circumference, 7" hand circumference (around knuckles)  
adjustments for larger size in ( )



## hat instructions:

With MC cast on 84 (90) sts and split evenly among needles, being careful not to twist.

### ribbing:

- \* \*k2, p1 around

repeat for 2 inches, or until desired length.

### crown:

- \* 5 rnds: k around.
- \* with CC, k around.

repeat these steps until hat is 6" (7") from cast on edge.

### decreases (worked in MC):

- \* k12 (13), k2tog repeat from \* to end
  - \* k11 (12), k2tog repeat from \* to end
- continue in progressing, working one less st between decreases each rnd, until 12 sts remain.

### finishing:

cut 6" tail and thread through loops.  
pull tight and clip. pull tail to inside.  
weave in all ends and clip.

## mitten instructions:

with MC, cast on 30 (33) sts and split evenly among needles, being careful not to twist.

- \* work around in k2, p1 ribbing until cuff is 2 1/4" (2 1/2") or to desired length.
- \* k around, increasing 6 (7) sts evenly. (36, 40 sts)

### lower hand:

- \* 5 rnds: k around
- \* with CC, k around.

repeat these steps until mitten is 1 3/4" (2 1/4") from ribbing, or until you reach base of thumb.

### thumb placement:

- \* k2. with a length of waste yarn, k6 (7) for thumb opening.
- \* slip waste yarn sts back to LH needle and knit to end of round with working yarn.

### upper hand:

continuing in established color and st pattern, knit around until mitten measures 3 3/4" from waste yarn, or about 1 1/2" from desired length.

### decreases:

- \* \*k7 (8), k2tog. Repeat from \* around. 32/36 sts
- \* \*k6 (7), k2tog. Repeat from \* around. 28/32 sts

continue as established, working one less stitch between decreases and working a CC rnd every 6th rnd, until 12 sts remain.

- \* clip yarn, leaving a 12" tail. draw through remaining loops, pulling tightly to close.
- \* tie off and pull tail to inside. weave in end securely.

## thumb:

- \* pick out waste yarn at thumb. working from left to right, place live sts on 2 needles. (5, 6) sts on top/(6, 7) sts on bottom.
- \* place marker to identify beginning of rnd. pick up one stitch in the corner (be sure to twist so a gap does not form), then k across bottom sts with MC.
- \* pick up one stitch in the corner, making sure to twist. k across upper sts. 13 (15) sts
- \* join and k around until thumb is 2" (2 1/4") or 1/4" less than desired length.
- \* k2tog around.
- \* clip yarn, leaving a 12" tail. draw through remaining loops, pulling tightly to close.
- \* tie off and pull tail to inside. weave in end securely.

## repeat for 2nd mitten!

## techniques & abbreviations:

CC: contrasting color      p: purl  
MC: main color              rnd(s): rounds  
k: knit                         st(s): stitch(es)  
k2tog: knit 2 stitches  
          together as one

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