

Just an All-Purpose Hat (One size fits most heads)

Materials:

2 colors worsted weight yarn
Size 8, 16" circular knitting needle

Abbreviations:

K Knit
P Purl



Pattern:

This pattern requires a multiple of 4 stitches to perfect the 2 X 2 ribbing pattern.

Casting on 64 stitches with color A and join to work in the round, being careful not to twist work..
At color changes, twist yarns to prevent gaps in stitching.

Row 1 Color A: Knit 2, Purl 2.

Row 2: Attach color B and continue in Knit 2, Purl 2 pattern.

Alternating between colors A and B, continue K2, P2 ribbing ending with row 9 (which is color A)

With color B work 8 rows of K2, P2 ribbing

Beginning with color A, work another 8 rows of alternating colors as in first section, ending with color B.

Continuing with color A work 8 rows of K2, P2 ribbing.

Beginning with color B, complete one more 8 row section of alternating colors, ending with color A.

Now, start your decrease rows as follows, using color B:

Row 1: Knit the knit stitches, purl the two purl stitches together. Do this for the entire round. 48 stitches remain. At this point change to either magic loop method, double points or add second circular needle.

Row 2: Knit the two knit stitches together, purl the one purl stitch. Continue this for the entire round. 32 stitches remain.

Remaining rows: Knit two together until only about 8 stitches remain.

Cut yarn, thread thru remaining stitches, snug up tight and weave in all ends.

Note: To make hat larger or smaller, change stitch count by multiples of 4, though the written size fits most and with cuff turned up will even work for a small child.