

# Teen Knitter Magazine Issue 4

Issue 4: Kittens and Yarn

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# Kittens and Yarn

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Kittens are cute...

Yarn is fun...

And making this magazine...

Is as nice as you.

### Contributors:

Jessica:

*"My name's Jessica but I go by Jess; I'm 12 years old but am very soon to be 13 on April 27. I'm in seventh grade and from Ohio. My favorite hobbies are reading, writing, playing softball, and music. I like country, alternative, indie, and classic rock!"*

Sekaya:

*"What's up?! My name is Sekaya, and I am fourteen years old! I like to knit, read, write, daydream, sleep, and talk! I am also the owner of Teen Knitter! I would LOVE to make friends with ANY girls on Teen Knitter!"*

Zainab:

*"Hi! My name is Zainab and I am 10 years old. I like playing with Knex and blocks. I would love to make friends with any girls on Teen Knitter!"*

4. Unknown (Author refuses to have name mentioned)

## Newsflasher

*"Hey, I'm Teen Knitters Editor. I only edit stuff."*

Anne Marie

*"Hey guys, I'm Annemarie. I'm a new writer here to Teen Knitter. Sadly, I do not knit or crochet, but I want to start very soon! I enjoy reading, writing, acting, singing, and dancing. Sekaya and I met on a site called writing.com, where we read and reviewed each other's stories. After chatting for a bit, she offered me this wonderful job at Teen Knitter! Of course I accepted, so now I'm making new friends online and helping this website grow. This is going to turn out to be a wonderful site, and I can't wait to help it prosper even more. :)"*

## Fading Memory

*Fading memory is a drop in guest who is the author of "Doll Shop", the poem in the poem section.*

Archie Leslie

*Bonjour! My name is Leslie. I am 13 years old, and I love to write, knit, read, and sing.*

## Mariah

*Hello, my name is Mariah and I stumbled upon Teen knitter Magazine on Lulu.com. Ever since then, I've wanted to write for this magazine. Hope you like my contributions.*

Mary

*Mary is a twelve year old inspiring writer, who knits, writes, and reads all the time*

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## Letter from the Editors

Hey everyone, welcome back to Teen Knitter's magazine. This issue is all pink, as you can see. We've put in some more pages for you're enjoyment. We hope you enjoyed the last issue, which can be located on the Teen Knitter site if you didn't read it yet. The site has a new design, is that awesome? We hope everyone likes it! Gradually, the site design will change over periods of time.

We made some mistakes in the last issue, granted. This time, we won't make any at all! We were trying to rush, and get the issue out as soon as possible. Silly, silly editors! If you saw the last issue, you have also seen that we forgot the poetry section! Whoops!

In this issue you will find some interesting articles, and some perfectly nice poems. You will also find a lot more things on **Yarn** and **Kittens**. Actually, the whole issue is based on knitting. Do you have a cute, furry little friend who you think would love knitted items? Check out the **Knitting for kittens** section. It's a perfect guide to finding the right gift for you're pal. The patterns that you will find in the section can also be sized to fit puppies.

The new **being a girl** section is a lot like the **Girl2girl** section, only much more vivid in topics like careers. In one of our polls, someone voted that they would like to see **Career Choices** in the next issue, so we've added it in the **being a girl** section.

**Ready for summer?** Check out the really cute hair accessories in the **Knitting Pattern** section. They are in demand for summer wear. No more hats!

Lastly, another new section is the **Arguments** section. This focuses on the arguments involved with knitting. Be prepared to express you're opinions, and hear the voices of everyone else!

Thanks for reading!

# Knitting for Kittens

*By: Sekaya*

Sometimes kittens will just look absolutely adorable in little coats, socks, sweaters, and knitted collars. However, most kittens are not tolerant when you try to put your hard work onto them. They bite, scratch, and try anything to get away. Especially if your cat is an escape artist. So, how can you get your jumpy, non-tolerant, hyper kitten to sit still? This is one of the most challenging questions involving cats.



## Sitting still

When attempting to keep your cat still, sit in a position where you are on your knees and place him or her firmly between your legs. Not enough to hurt him or her, but enough to keep him/her sitting, or crouching quietly and unresisting. Feed your preppy kitten small treats as a reward for behaving.

## Dressing your kitten

When dressing you're cat, hold him/her firmly between you're legs. If putting a sweater on your kitten, steer clear of those claws! They can give a nasty scratch, and leave a scar. The same thing goes for when putting on socks. .



## Things to knit for you're kitten



### Crocheted Collar

You will need:

Patience

A pet

Embroidery floss (Optional)

A beginners plastic crochet hook.

Any yarn color of you're choice. Just make sure it is worsted and Red Heart Yarn.

1. Measure the length of your beloved pet's neck.
2. Crochet a chain about two inches longer than you're pet's neck.

4. Insert the hook into the last stitch in the chain. Yarn over.
5. Continue working into the chain, until the chain is as thick as you desire.
6. End it.
7. Crochet a flower, and attach it to the collar. (If you have a male animal, this isn't such a great idea.)
8. Optional: Grab some embroiders floss, and sew it around the border of the collar for a cute look. (See picture for details)

## The Perfect Needles



*By: Newsflasher*

You find yourself staring at a knitting pattern, and you really like it. Rather it is a purse, hat, or scarf. You glance at the instructions quickly, and skim over the materials. You need a size US 8 knitting needle. You self-consciously ignore the fact that for a perfect gauge, you need those perfect needles. So what?

In order to have the almost-exact look of the project that you see in the picture, you need the perfect needle. Sometimes, a pattern doesn't call for that perfect needle, so you don't really have to worry about it. Most advanced knitters are addicted to keeping at least six pairs of needles of different sizes around for special knitting emergencies. If you go on an adventure with an avid knitter, and you snoop around a bit, you'll find a pair of US size 7 needles in their purse, US 10 size needles in their car, and various other needle sizes lying around their house. Watch where you sit!



My point to get across is; keep at least 3 pairs of needles handy. You might just want that mango-girl-detective hat-that-is-in-for-the-summer. Size 7, 8, 9, and 10 needles are the most commonly used needles, and you can get them cheap at Wal-Mart, where they are \$2.50 for a pair. Other common places are craft stores such as Joann, and Michael's. A.C Moore is another common craft store. You can also browse online stores such as Ebay for bargains. If you're lucky, you can get a whole set cheap at an auction.

Gathering up a neat supply of knitting accessories always makes you a handy knitter. Don't leave those needles lying around, and definitely don't leave them on couches.

## Knitting Videos

*By: Sekaya*

Show, not tell. Some people cannot follow certain instructions written for knitting. Firstly, I just want to say that I am an intermediate knitter. When I started knitting, my grandmother showed me. I didn't exactly pay attention, so all hope was lost for me. I paid more attention to teaching myself how to crochet (with some excellent help from my mom.)

As I grew older, and looked at the computer as a resource, I realized that, BOOM – the computer could teach me to knit properly. I haunted sites that helped me to learn to knit. Only, I looked at written knitting instructions which I found absolutely stupid. I gave up, and went back to crocheting a collection of little hats for my sister's polka dotted beanie teddy bear- Bianca.

Then, magic happened. I was googling crocheting instructions one day, and – WOW. I came across both knitting and crocheting videos. I quickly pressed on the knitting videos, and I was transfixed for an hour. To this day, I still haunt the knitting videos sections even though I have already learned more than a dozen techniques.



Where to find knitting videos:

[www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

[www.learntoknit.com](http://www.learntoknit.com)

[www.knittinghelp.com](http://www.knittinghelp.com)

[www.DIYnetwork.com](http://www.DIYnetwork.com)

[www.knittingatknoon.com](http://www.knittingatknoon.com)

## Yarn, Yarn, and more Yarn

*By: Archie Leslie.*

Yarn is a wonderful thing. You can knit with it, crochet with it, make yarn dolls with it, play with it with your cat, and set up booby traps with it. However, how do you know what yarn to buy? Do you examine it? Are you looking for a certain color? Are you anxious about the gauge? There are many reasons why people go to shop for yarn. When you enter a yarn store, you stand as one planted to the ground. You feel speechless as you admire the loads of yarn on the racks. You feel...wonderful.



## What is yarn made from?

Yarn is made from all types of things. Some types of yarns are made from wool. Some is made from cotton. Or, it's just a mixture of both.

## How is yarn dyed?

Yarn is dyed from regular fabric dye. Sometimes people dye their yarn at home. They use koolaid, or food coloring. You can dye your own yarn by selecting a white colored yarn, and placing it in a cup of micro waved koolaid. No sugar!

## What yarn color are you?

1. What is your type favorite food?  
a. spicy hot   b. sweet   c. sour
2. Out of these, what is your favorite season?  
a. Summer   b. Spring   c. Fall
3. What is your favorite subject?  
a. Math   b. English   c. Social Studies
4. Favorite book genre?  
a. Horror   b. Romance   c. Action

If you answered mostly A – you're Pink. You're sweet, light, and carefree.

If you answered mostly B – you're Red. You're fiery hot. You might need a bit of water to cool down at times.

If you answered mostly C – you're green. You love the nature, and you're a mild person with a sour side.

If you didn't answer most of these – you're white. You're an in between person without a color, and you live on your own opinions.

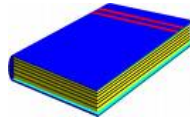


## Where to buy yarn?

You can find yarn at almost any craft store. A good place to buy yarn is online, where you can find all of the yarn you want in one place. Plus, you don't have to waste you're gas, or someone else's!

1. JoAnn's
2. Wal-mart
3. Luxury Yarns
4. Ky yarns
5. Ebay

## Stories



## Hidden Flower

By: Sekaya

The sobbing began again. The deep, wailing sobbing that interrupted her comfortable slumber. She tossed over in her bed, and stared into the darkness.

“Why did this happen to us?” A soft wailing voice demanded deep in the night.

“Laura, are you crying again?” she asked, taking the pillow that had been trying to shield her ears from the weeping that haunted her, and placing it under her head once again.

“Yeah, why not?” Laura asked furiously, punching her fist onto the spring mattress.

“This could come out better in the en-“

“Don’t say it Ant, you always talk about something coming out in the end.” Laura retorted passionately, her arms flailing out around her in the darkness. Ant’s cheeks burned at the sound of her well used nickname, and she hotly replied:

“Well, if you don’t want advice, don’t whine to me and be a baby.” Silence regained, and then Laura’s quiet sobbing began again. Ant was sure that Laura’s pillow was soak and wet, and in a minute, she would flip the pillow over, and begin talking of the problem.

The problem that haunted every member of their family. The nights were restless, and no one talked much about it anymore. The fire. It destroyed all they knew, and all they had. Nothing was left from the greedy fire which tore their beautiful and hard earned house into ashes and rubble.

“I had everything I could have ever wanted.” Laura sniffed, flipping over her pillow. Ant sighed, and turned over in her bed to face the wall.

“Please Laura; don’t talk about it to me. I just don’t want to hear about how you lost everything you had.” She pleaded in a murmuring sleepy voice.

“Of all my sixteen years Ant, nothing this tragic has ever happened to me.” Laura whined, ignoring her sisters plead. “I even burned my hands. I was so proud of my hands, and now they’ll scar.”

“It serves you right. You shouldn’t be so vain.” Ant pulled the thin and scratchy Red Cross blanket over her head, and closed her eyes tightly.

“You’re so mean.” Laura threw herself into a crying fit, and beat her pillow like a child. Then, she stopped suddenly, and fell onto her pillow with a thump. “Why should you care? You’re only twelve.” Ant sighed at her age, and accepted the verbal slap with patience.

“Now we’ll have to move, and everything will be so mixed up. This is the worse thing I ever had to experience Ant. Can’t you understand?”

“You were in a car accident when you were a baby. Mom said so.” Ant reminded her soberly.

“I don’t remember it.” Laura replied coolly, forgetting about the fire entirely. “It’s not something I want to have to go through again. Then again, it’s nothing like now. I’m older and I can relate to things now. You know, they said that babies can-”

“Don’t go and be a nerd again Laura.” Ant heard Laura give a huff of annoyance in the dark. She knew that Ant had touched a tender spot, as being called a “nerd” gave her a funny feeling that she could not exactly explain.

“Well, so what? I can be a nerd, and be pretty at the same time.” Laura declared stiffly, flopping over in her bumpy bed.

“Conceited.” Ant said, sitting up, and reclining on her arm.

“Call me that again, and I will drown you in our pool-” Laura stopped short, forgetting that the pool was still on the plot of the destroyed house. “I wonder if it’s still there.” Ant groaned and let her arm collapse, falling onto her pillow.

“You’re going to start that again aren’t you? Naming a million things that you wonder about the house?” Ant asked bitterly, preparing to cover her ears.

TO BE CONTINUED.

## Poems

### **Knit a Doll**

By: Zainab

One, two knit a doll

Three, four laugh with joy

Five, six knit a stitch

Seven, eight lay her straight

Nine, ten stuff her in.

## **Porcelain Tea Cup**

*By: Jessica*

I am a porcelain teacup,  
Smooth as ever could be  
My playful colors linger in your mind  
As I am with you continuously.  
I am a porcelain teacup,  
Fragile as a picture frame  
I display my feelings for all to see  
And in this I feel no shame.  
I am a porcelain teacup,  
Beautiful as the autumn sky  
Rich in flavor,  
Living off a natural high  
I am a porcelain teacup."

## **Doll**

*By: Fadingmemory*

There's this doll.  
It's the perfect cliché.  
With straight, long hair,  
Makeup cov'ring her face.  
A thin figure  
That could fit in your hand,  
The hottest clothes,

Following up with the trends.  
Its eyes are the type  
That defines "if looks could kill".  
Yet at the same time,  
There's that smile,  
Where hate is impossible.  
The doll is flawless  
From head to toe.  
There's no reason not to be jealous.  
It's perfect,  
People want it.  
But,  
Does a doll with absolutely no makeup  
Look less beautiful than one with it?  
Does this powder that brings out features,  
That clearly don't exist,  
Determine a dolls worth?  
Do eyes that have not been charred  
Look any less marvelous?  
Is it preferred  
That the secrets that lay behind them  
Be completely obvious,  
Or have subtle gazes been forgotten?  
Does a doll  
Whose fashion sense  
Is covering up  
Never amount to anything?  
At least,  
Not anything close to the appeal of the other dolls,  
Correct?  
Dolls like these have been forgotten.  
Where looks never mattered  
As much as personality.  
But then again,  
This isn't life.  
This is a doll shop.  
Yet sometimes,  
They seem the same.





## Passion4Fashion

This week we have a beautiful outfit that every teen can wear. You might have to take a look at [wetseal.com](http://wetseal.com) to get the right size, but you'll go there anyway to buy the clothes if you're interested.



This cute grey shirt is exactly what we're looking for. It's not too nerdy, and not too flashy. Perfect for any outfit. If you want a different look, add a black broom skirt, and black head band.

[Go here to buy it](#)



A pair of nice, cool pants that add perfect charm to the grey shirt.

[Go here to buy it](#)

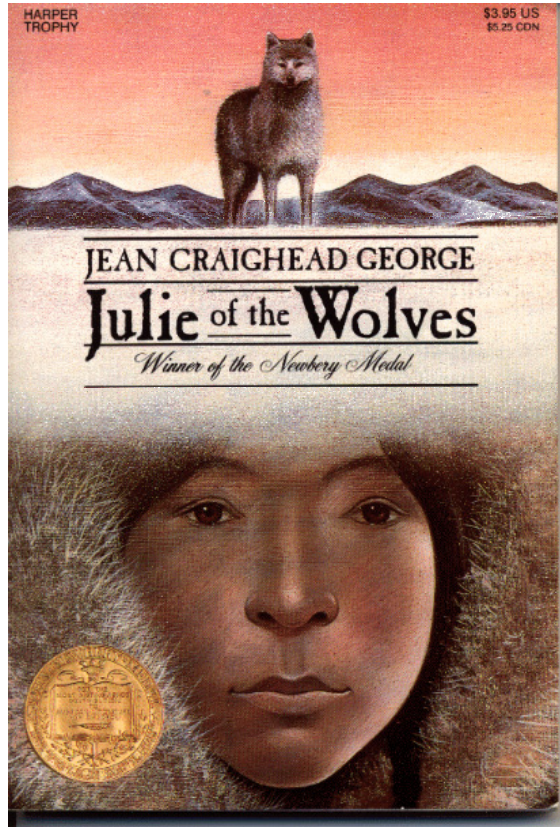


Now, we're not sure if you're mom let you wear heels, but just in case – these pumps rocket a thing of style to the outfit.

[Go here to buy it](#)



Books



Miyax, like many adolescents, is torn. But unlike most, her choices may determine whether she lives or dies. At 13, an orphan, and unhappily married, Miyax runs away from her husband's parents' home, hoping to reach San Francisco and her pen pal. But she becomes lost in the vast Alaskan tundra, with no food, no shelter, and no idea which is the way to safety. Now, more than ever, she must look hard at who she really is. Is she Miyax, Eskimo girl of the old ways? Or is she Julie (her "gussak"-white people-name), the modernized teenager who must mock the traditional customs? And when a pack of wolves begins to accept her into their community, Miyax must learn to think like a wolf as well. If she trusts her Eskimo instincts, will she stand a chance of surviving?

## Interesting Women



**Rosa Louise McCauley Parks** ([February 4, 1913](#) – [October 24, 2005](#)) was an [African American civil rights activist](#) and [seamstress](#) whom the [U.S. Congress](#) dubbed the "Mother of the Modern-Day [Civil Rights Movement](#)".

Parks is famous for her refusal on [December 1, 1955](#) to obey bus driver [James Blake](#)'s demand that she relinquish her seat to a [white](#) man. Her subsequent arrest and trial for this act of [civil disobedience](#) triggered the [Montgomery Bus Boycott](#), one of the largest and most successful mass movements against [racial segregation](#) in history, and launched [Martin Luther King, Jr.](#), one of the organizers of the boycott, to the forefront of the civil rights movement. Her role in American history earned her an iconic status in American culture, and her actions have left an enduring legacy for civil rights movements around the world. - Wikipedia

Girl2Girl

Do you have any tips you would like to share with another girl? We asked girls to write in on how they would help someone. They came up with some touching answers.

If I had anyone to help, it would definitely be the babies. Babies are so fragile, and they need special care. If you don't treat them right, who knows? There are many babies in the world who are dying because of cold, sickness, and hunger. Especially in poor countries.

I would help all of the babies through my skill of knitting. – *Sekaya*

I would help the poor. I would stand outside of a grocery store (even though I am very shy) and collect donations to feed people who have no food. – *Lisa*.

I would take a poor person home; give him/her clothes, and something to eat. – *Zainab*

## Mail

Here is some mail that we received when we launched the last issue, Teenknitter magazine 3. Thank you for all of your feedback!



*Dear Teenknitter,*

*I really liked the articles about knitting. I really enjoyed them and followed some of you're advice. I will be reading more soon. It is hard to find free teen magazines for knitting these days.*

*Dear Teenknitter magazine,*

*I tried the Trip's Tri Colored Blanket. It was awesome! I made one for my friends' new sister. Thanks!*

*Dear TKM,*

*I liked the fashion, and the story. I hope I will see more of the book!*

*Dear Teen knitter staff,*

*Hi! I really like the magazine! I will try to submit things soon. Where do I send the submissions to?*

*Dear Teenknitter Magazine,*

*I really like the magazine cover. It rocks.*

*Dear Teenknitter Maga,*

*Thanks for the awesome magazine.*

*Dear Teenknitter,*

*Love the magazine.*

*Dear Teenknitter Staff,*

*What a nice site!!! I like the magazine too! I read it until the end. I even tried some of the patterns! Please put more crochet patterns.*

*Dear Teenknitter,*

*Could you add more stuff to read? I like to read. I read Anne Marie's helpful hints, and I really liked it. She is a good writer.*

*Dear Teenknitter Magazine,*



*I liked all of the pretty pictures. Me and my sister found the magazine on Lulu. My mom liked it too.*

## Writers Thoughts

### How to get you're writing to the world

*By: Mariah*

Getting you're writing to the world is simple, and easy. First, why are you writing? Are you writing for profit, fun, or just to inform people? Many, many people write for profit more than anything else. Follow these simple tasks to letting the world see what a great job you can do!

1. Try to write for contests. Aim for the easiest first, and then work you're way up. Google is a dependable tool for searching.
2. Get involved in writing stories, and then posting them on forums, chat rooms, or even on your own website.
3. Submit your work onto sites like Teen Knitter.com, Writing.com, Home2teach.com, Lulu.com, and poetry.com.
4. Hands out copies of your work to you're friends. Even you're teacher is the one of the best people.
5. Do well in school. If you write up that History report well, everyone will see you're talent.

### Anne Marie's Thoughts

*By Anne Marie*

Being a writer is a wonderful hobby if you really enjoy it. Although there may be months where you have horrible writer's block, or when your story just isn't working out; being a writer can have a big payoff. Once you finally complete that first novel, your heart soars, even if you can't get it published. It is such a relieving feeling, knowing you have accomplished so much. Even if it's just a short story or a poem, you can't help but

be proud. If you love writing, then write! Keep a journal; write poetry in a spiral notebook. One of the best ways to get out emotions is through the sweet words you scribble onto a page.

A couple of writing tips for those curious in writing but need some advice.

- There is no such thing as writer's block unless you've had it for months. If every day you struggle to describe exactly what to say, that isn't writer's block. That's just plain writing. Even some of the best writers go through it daily. Don't get mad at yourself if you just can't find the right words today. Keep trying and it's come to you.

- Write about what you know. If you write about the terrible fire, make sure you can explain it well. If you write about Martin Luther King Jr., make sure you do a little research first. If you haven't been through it and you can't imagine it, then you probably shouldn't write about it.

- Enjoy writing. If you enjoy writing, then you'll be motivated to write more. That alone is a good reward. Also, wanting to write may actually make your writing better. If you don't want to write, why make yourself miserable? Writing should be delight, not a chore.

If you need more help or just want to me to read and rate some of your writing pieces, just email me at [coco.chick@gmail.com](mailto:coco.chick@gmail.com). 😊

## Being a Girl

*By: Zainab, Newsflasher, and Sekaya.*

Being a girl can sometimes be hard. People expect you to grow up, and get married. This was especially true years ago when women had to stay home and **knit**, sew, read, and take care of kids. Now, women have so many privileges that they didn't have before. Now, we did a poll sometime last month, and we asked readers what they would like to see in the next issue. The answer was surprising: **career choices**. So, we've only listed two. We hope that every girl looks forward to accomplishing her dreams.

## Fashion Designer

Designing you're on clothes is on almost every girls mind. Rather they like it or not. But, if you really look into it, every girl wants to have a "style". If you like designing clothes for people, this is the right job for you. Rather you like creating jewelry, knitting, crocheting, or sewing.

### Required:

1. Math
2. Imagination



## Doctor

Being a doctor can be fun and exciting, but it has its up's and down's. Brushing up on you're math skills, science skills, and even you're social studies, and English can help. You might also want to prepare studying for an SAT. Other than these hard courses you must take, you'll need a good hand, and a cheery heart.

### Required Skills:

1. Math
2. English
3. Science

#### 4. Good Sense



## Arguments

This is the section for people who like to argue. Anything in the section has to deal with knitting, and knitting only. This month's topic is **should boys knit?** We have a guest argumentative person who would like to share **his** idea. There is also a girl who would like to share **her** idea on this tense subject.

**No**

I am a boy of 12, and I would hate to knit. I think that I should tell all boys that knitting is for girls, or old women. I think guys who knit, are sissies. I fear that, if a group of boys start to knit, the whole world of boys will be encouraged to knit, and the world would change the gender "Boy" or "Man" to girl-boy. This is just my thought. I'm only asking, please men and boys, DO NOT KNIT. If you don't think my article is not good enough to change you're mind, and you continue to knit, then that is fine with me. You can find different ways to help the poor if that is what you are doing with you're knitting. I think this is a lame excuse. If you want to help the poor, then raise money at your school, or put on a play to raise money. If you would stop knitting, that would help me, a lot. – N/a

## Yes

Hi, I'm a girl and I think that boys should knit because there is nothing wrong with it. It is just like painting, or becoming a chef. Knitting is not feminine, it's for everyone. A long time ago, men used to knit for commercial needs, and women used to knit for the family. As new skills developed, men left knitting to women, and began making tools, black smithing, writing...ect. Now, today men knit because they find it fun. It's just like designing clothes, and it makes them money. There is nothing wrong with that, and I think men should knit all the time! – Mary – *Mary is a twelve year old inspiring writer, who knits, writes, and reads all the time.*

## No

Boys should not knit. I find it disturbing to look at pictures of men knitting. After all, isn't knitting only for girls? Weren't girl's years ago only allowed to knit, sew, crochet, and embroider? Now, men want to knit? No, this is not right. Boys should not knit at all. – N/a

## Jibberish

If you like random quotes, this is the section for you. We hope you like them!

"Specify that your drive-thru order is to go, it confuses people"

"I had plenty of pimples as a kid. One day I fell asleep in the library.  
When I woke up, a blind man was reading my face.  
"

"An escalator can never break. It can only become stairs.  
You would never see an "Escalator Temporarily Out Of Order" sign,  
just "Escalator Temporarily Stairs. Sorry for the convenience  
"

"Cancel My Subscription, because I'm sick of your issues!!"

"You're slower than a herd of turtles stampeding through peanut butter"

## Knitting Patterns

**Materials:**

Any yarn that with a soft drape. I used 15gms sportweight homespun rainbow dyed merino for the smallest size. It is very important the the knitted fabric drapes well, otherwise the kerchief will stick up and look silly.

Lightweight cotton (30gms or so should make the largest size), acrylic (20gms), or soft novelty yarns (amount depends on weight) should work well

Needles to suit your chosen yarn. I used 4mm.

Crochet hook in the same size

**Size:**

To fit 4-8yrs (9-13yrs, teen-adult)

**Abbreviations:**

K = Knit

YO = Yarn Over

**Pattern:**

Cast on 1 st

(K1, P1, K1) into the stitch (3sts)

Every row: K1, YO, K to the end of the row

Continue until work measures 12 (14, 16)inches across. Cast off.

Crochet a 9 inch chain at both ends of the cast off row.

Using 3 strands of yarn make small tassels at the end of each tie.

Darn in loose ends on the wrong side.

(Designer: Sarah Bradberry <http://www.knitting-and.com>)



#### SIZE

3-1/2" wide x 1-1/2" long.

#### MATERIALS

BERROCO CHINCHILLA (50 grs), 1 ball #5530 Jungle Brown.

Straight knitting needles, size 8.

Purchased plastic clip barrette by HairWorks, #TS4560.

Hot Glue Gun.

#### BARRETTE

With size 8 needles, cast on 11 sts. Work in Garter St for 6". Bind off all sts.

#### FINISHING

Center clip barrette on knitted piece and, folding in 1 edge at a time, glue piece to barrette.

(Designer: <http://www.berroco.com>)





**Sizes:** Small (Medium, Large, X-large, XX-large)  
Bust 40 (42, 44, 46, 48)"/101.5 (106.5, 111.5, 114, 122)cm  
Length 19 1/4 (19 3/4, 20 1/4, 20 3/4)"  
Length 17 1/2 (17 1/2, 18, 18, 18 1/2)"/44.5 (44.5, 45.5, 45.5, 47)cm

### Materials

- 1 ball of a sport-weight yarn (A microfiber or cotton yarn is a sensible choice for the summer.)
- Size 8 (5mm) knitting needles
- Size H/8 (5.00mm) crochet hook
- Sewing needle with a large eye to weave in the ends
- Small amounts of yarn for embroidery (optional)

### Gauge

: 5 stitches and 9 rows to 1".

### Abbreviations

knit (k) stitches (sts) make one (M1).

**Note:** A make one increase is done by inserting the left-hand needle between the stitch just worked and the new stitch on the needle, lift the bar strand of yarn onto the left needle and knit that strand working into the loop at the back of the needle. If you are a novice knitter, you can also increase by simply knitting into the front and back of the stitch just before the M1 command in the pattern.

**Cast on** 3 sts (point).

**Row 1:** Knit.

**Row 2:** K1, M1, k1, M1, k1. You now have 5 sts on the needle.

**Row 3:** Knit. Row 4: K1, M1, knit to the last stitch, M1, k1.

**Repeat rows 3 and 4** until piece measures 9" deep, measuring from point to upper edge. You should have approximately 73 sts on needle. Knit 2 rows.

**Bind off all sts.**

**Straps:** Using a crochet hook, attach yarn and follow instructions as for crocheted kerchief.

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SIZE: approx. 7 inches around (will stretch to fit)

MATERIALS: Any worsted weight yarn in two colors. "A" for background, "B" for band. I used Lily Sugar 'n Cream 100% cotton

Size 7 needles (slightly tighter than the usual 8's = better fit)

CO 30 sts with "A" color and knit one row.

ROW 1: Knit

ROW 2: Purl

ROW 3: Join "B" color, k2, slip 1 purlwise, \*k5, sl 1 purlwise; REP from \* to last three sts. K3.

ROW 4: K3, sl 1 purlwise with yarn in front, \*k5, sl 1 purlwise wyf; REP from \* to last two sts. K2.

ROW 5: P2, sl 1 purlwise with yarn in back, \*p5, sl 1 purlwise wyb; REP from \* to last three sts. P3.

ROW 6: Repeat ROW 4.  
ROW 7: Using "A" color, knit.  
ROW 8: Purl.

(For single band cuffs like green or pink in photo):

ROW 9: Knit.  
ROW 10: Knit.  
BO loosely.

(For double band cuffs like blue in photo):

ROW 9: With "B" color, \*k5, sl 1 purlwise; REP from \* to end.  
ROW 10: \*Sl 1 purlwise wyf, k5; REP from \* to end.  
ROW 11: \*P5, sl 1 purlwise wyb; REP from \* to end.  
ROW 12: Repeat row 10.  
ROW 13: Using "A" color, knit.  
ROW 14: Purl.  
ROW 15: Knit.  
ROW 16: Knit.  
BO loosely.

Sew up side seam and weave in loose ends. Put on cuff, raise your hand in the air and wave it like you just don't care...

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Supplies:

**J.&P. COATS® "Crochet Nylon"**, Art. A70 (150 yard tube): 1 tube, No. 19 Black.

**Knitting Needles:** 4mm [US 6]  
**Crochet Hook:** 3.75mm [US F-5] for bag.

Yarn needle

**Choker:** One ½" black shank button; one heart-shaped bead or charm; yarn needle; needle and thread.

Sizes:

Choker measures approximately 11" long x 5/8" wide. Bag measures approximately 6" x 6½" without strap.

### BAG

Cast on 27 sts. Marking first row as the right side, work in Seed st as follows:

Row 1: K1, \* P1, K1; rep from \* across.

Rep Row 1 for Seed st until 14" from beginning. Bind off in pat.

Strap: Cast on 3 sts. Work in Seed st until approximately 42" from beginning. Bind off in pat.

**FINISHING:** Fold the piece to approximately 6" for bag, leaving 2" for flap; pin sides in place. With crochet hook, attach yarn at lower right corner with bag opening to the back; ch 1, working through both layers, sc in same place; \* ch 3, sl st in 3rd ch from hook – picot made; sc through bag; rep from \* until one side is joined and flap is reached; rep from \* through 1 layer around flap; rep from \* to join next side. Fasten off leaving tails long enough to weave in.

Sew lower 2" of each end of strap to back of bag. Weave in ends; secure with sewing needle and thread if necessary.

### CHOKER

Cast on 3 sts. Marking first row as the right side, work in Seed st as follows:

Row 1: K1, \* P1, K1; rep from \* across.

Rep Row 1 for Seed st until 11" from beginning. Bind off in pat. Cut thread leaving a 10" length.

Sew button at cast-on end of band. Thread the 10" length into the yarn needle and form a loop just big enough for the button to pass through.

Weave in ends and secure well by sewing through the strand with needle and thread.

Using a sewing needle and thread, sew charm or bead at center of band.

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