

CHILD'S KNITTED SUIT



Three-year-old reason (refugee from Alsace Lorraine) why so many volunteers elect to turn out knitted suits

Equipment Needed:

Yarn-4/14 (medium weight), $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ pound (depending on the size made), of any color not too bright.

Needles—two needles to fit the Red Cross Needle Gauge marked for socks and medium-weight sweaters. Needles slightly smaller may be used to advantage for ribbing.

Elastic—1/2 to 3/4-yard in length, 1/2-inch in width.

Scale:

7 stitches to the inch, 9 rows to the inch. Make a sample to find out how many stitches are required for you to knit an inch. If your scale is not that given here, try a smaller or larger needle until you obtain this scale. If you have to use a different size needle from that called for above, it will not in any way alter the garment provided you knit 5 stitches to the inch and 6 rows to the inch.

General Instructions:

Always join new yarn at end of row. Never knot or splice yarn in middle of row.

These knitting directions are given as a guide. Other simple sweater instructions may be used so long as the garment is the proper size and

of correct proportions.

These instructions may be varied by using a circular needle (adjusting the directions accordingly), using four needles for making the cuffs, and other changes desired by the individual knitter, so long as the finished garment is accurate.

SWEATER, Brooks Type

Measurements:					
Size 2 yrs. Chest 20½ in., Length	11 in		Sleeve	longt	th 10 in.
Size 4 yrs. Chest 22 in., Length			Sleeve	longi	th 12 in.
Size 6 yrs. Chest 24 in., Length			Sleeve	lengt	th 13 in.
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Body (Front and Back)		Size	Size	Size	
		2	4	6	
Cast on		72	76	84	stitches
Knit 2, Purl 2, for		2	2	2	inches
Knit in stockinette stitch (knit 1 row, purl 1 mith the appearance of the continuous first th	ow),				
with the exception of the first and last 2 stir of each row which should be knit (garter st	ches				
to make a neat underarm seam, until stocking	nette				
stitches measure		51/2	7	91/6	inches
To begin armhole				0/2	Hones
Knit and then slip on stitch holder the first		7	7	7	stitches
Knit		58	62	70	stitches
Slip on stitch holder the last		7	7	7	stitches
Knit stockinette stitch, with the exception of	the				
first and last 2 stitches of row which should be wo	rked	**			
in garter stitch, same as underarm, on remaining for		58 2½	62	70	stitches
ending in a purled row.	••••	472	9	3/2	inches
Knit		16	18	22	stitches
Knit two together, knit one.		-	10		Bullenes
Take off remaining stitches on stitch holder.					
Purl back to armhole.					
Decrease in next five knit rows by knitting togo 2nd and 3rd stitch from neck.	ther				
Work in garter stitch the remaining stitches on ne	edle				
for 16 rows (8 ridges) ending at neck.					
Leave on stitch holder for front of neck 20 stite	ches.				
Slip on needle the last	• • • •	19	21	25	stitches
Knit 1, slip 1, knit 1, pass slipped stitch over stitch.	knit				
Continue to knit across row.					
Purl back to neck.					
Decrease in this manner in next five knit rows.					
Knit in garter stitch for 16 rows (8 ridges), en at armhole.	ding				
Purl back to neck with exception of the first two	knit				
stitches.					
For back of neck, cast on same needle	:	32	32	32	stitches
and purl stitches from 1st shoulder					
Work in stockinette stitch (with the exception of	the		Standard Standard		
garter stitch border) for		4	4½	5	inches

	Size 2	Size 4	Size 6	
Cast on at each end of next row	7	7	7	stitches
Sleeves				
Pick up around armhole and knit	60	64	68	stitches
Decrease at both ends of everyby knitting together 3d and 4th stitches from each	6	6	6	rows
end until there are on needle	40	42	44	stitches
Knit plain in stockinette stitch until sleeve measures. Work in ribbing of knit 1, purl 1, for 2 inches. Bind off loosely, knitting the knit stitches and purling the purled stitches. Neck	8	10	11	inches
Pick up stitches around neck and work in ribbing of knit 1, purl 1 for ½ inch. Bind off very loosely. Join sleeve and underarm seams. Neck should measure 20 inches around.				

Chapter Label—Should be sewed inside the back at top of sweater. Either indicate size on label or add tag showing size.

PANTS

Measurements:

Size 2 yrs.—Width at waist 10 inches. Length from center front to crotch 7 inches. Size 4 yrs.—Width at waist 11 inches. Length from center front to crotch 8 inches. Size 6 yrs.—Width at waist 12 inches. Length from center front to crotch 9 inches.

	Size 2	Size Size		
Right Half—Cast on	72 4	76 4	84 4	stitches rows
Next row: Knit 2, purl 2 to complete elastic holes. Continue ribbing of knit 2, purl 2 for	6	6	6	rows
To shape Back: ** Knit	10	11	12	stitches
Turn, slip first stitch and purl back to end of row. Knit Turn, slip first stitch and purl back to end of row.	20	22	24	stitches
Knit	30	33	36	stitches
Turn, slip first stitch and purl back to end of row. Continue in this way, knitting	10 60	11 66	12 72	stitches stitches
end of row. Then knit the entire row of	72	76	84	stitches
Work even in stockinette stitch until pants measure from ribbing at front (short) edge	4	5	6	inches
at both ends every other row, 10 times, when there will be on needle	92	96	104	stitches
Now begin the leg by decreasing one stitch (knit 2 together) at both ends every other row. Stitches on needle	6 80	7 82	9 86	times stitches

	Size 2	Size 4	Siz 6	re
Work firmly in ribbing of knit 1, purl 1 for	1	1	1	inch
Bind off very loosely, knitting the knit and purling				
the purled stitches.				
Left Half—Knit same as above to ** knit one row.				
Purl	10	11	12	stitches
Turn, slip one, knit back to end of row, etc.				
Continue to make left half to match right half.				
Sew leg seams. Baste the two halves together (short	sides	together	and	long sides
together) meeting at crotch; sew seam. Insert elastic				

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DIRECTIONS FOR FOLDING AND BUNDLING

Fold the sweater and pants neatly, placing one on top of other, tying suits in bundles of five. Each bundle should be marked, indicating the number of suits of each size.

Do not start another garment with left-over yarn. Please return all unused yarn to Chapter.



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