MONSTER PUPPETS

MEASUREMENTS

Length (approx) cm 23 Width (approx) cm 10

PATONS YARN REQUIRED -

Double Knitting 50g balls See page 10 for alternative yarns which may be used. Main Colour (M) 1
Contrast Colour (C) 1

IMPORTANT Use only the yarn specified for these items. Other yarns may give unsatisfactory results. Quantities are approximate as they can vary between knitters.

1 pair 4.00mm (No 8) Knitting Needles or size needed to give correct tension. Decorations (if desired).

TENSION - 21 sts and 44 rows to 10 cm over garter st, using 4.00mm Needles. To work tension square, use 4.00mm Needles, cast on 33 sts. Knit 66 rows garter st. Cast off loosely. Please check you tension carefully. If less sts use smaller needles, if more sts use bigger needles.

BODY (make 2)

Using 4.00mm Needles and M, cast on 22 sts.

Knit in garter st (1st row is wrong side) until work
measures 22 cm from beg, working last row on
wrong side.

SHAPE HEAD - Cast off 2 sts at beg of next 8 rows ... 6 sts.

Cast off loosely.

MOUTH

Using 4.00mm Needles and C1, cast on 26 sts. Work 4 rows stocking st.

Next row - P2tog, purl to last 2 sts, P2tog.

Next row - K2tog, knit to last 2 sts, K2tog ... 22 sts. BEG TURNINGS - Note - When turning, bring yarn to front of work, slip next st onto right-hand needle, yarn back, slip st back onto left-hand needle, then turn and proceed as instructed. This avoids holes in work.

1st row - Puri to last 2 sts, turn.

2nd row - Knit to last 2 sts, turn.

3rd row - Purl to last 4 sts. turn.

4th row - Knit to last 4 sts, turn.

5th row - Puri to last 6 sts, turn.

6th row - Knit to last 6 sts, turn.

7th row - Puri to last 8 sts, turn.

8th row - Knit to last 8 sts. turn.

9th row - Purl to end.

10th row - Knit to end.

11th row - Purl.

Work 3 rows stocking st.

Next row (ridge) - Knit (center fold for mouth).

Work 5 rows stocking st.

BEG TURNINGS - Note - When turning, bring yarn to front of work, slip next st onto right-hand needle, yarn back, slip st back onto left-hand needle, then turn and proceed as instructed. This avoids holes in work

1st row - Knit to last 8 sts, turn.

2nd row - Purl to last 8 sts. turn.

3rd row - Knit to last 6 sts, turn.

4th row - Purl to last 6 sts. turn.

5th row - Knit to last 4 sts. turn.

6th row - Purl to last 4 sts, turn.

7th row - Knit to last 2 sts, turn.

8th row - Purl to last 2 sts, turn.

9th row - Knit to end.

10th row - Purl.

Next row - Inc in first st, knit to last st, inc in last st. Next row - Inc in first st, purl to last st, inc in last st ... 26 sts.

Work 4 rows stocking st, beg with a purl row. Cast off

MAKE UP

Using back-stitch, sew side seams tog for body. Fold mouth piece in half, stocking st sides tog, sew side edges. Slip st mouth piece onto body at cast off edges. Decorate as desired.



Some knitters have found that the instructions for the mouth were not very clear. I didn't have a problem when I tried this pattern but here is an interpretation given out on Ravelry which you may wish to try if you have problems with the original pattern instructions. Thanks to Lindsay Mudd for sharing the info as given below:

I made my mouth so that the lips are in reverse stocking stitch, and the inside of the mouth is stocking stitch. So, my first 4 rows are K, P, K, P.

Then the next row is P (starting P2tog) which reverses the inside of the mouth to stocking stitch. When I got to the centre fold at the back of the mouth, I created a purl ridge, then I continued the inside of the mouth in stocking stitch, working the final 4 rows in reverse stocking stitch for the lips.

Notes for Worry Monster Puppets EYES

For the eyes please use buttons sewn on firmly or embroider them on or cut out felt shapes and sew on firmly, do not use googly eyes as shown in pattern these can come off and will not be accepted

POCKET

Please would you make a pocket somewhere on your puppet if possible inside the mouth or on the outside if this proves difficult, if possible a button and a loop to secure pocket shut as the children put there worries in the pocket and the Worry Monsters take them away. You can knit them or use felt or material, once again sewn on firmly. Anything that has stuffing on puppets only special safe toy stuffing can be used.