My So Called Life (and other lies) Really Simple Hat Pattern*

To fit most sized noggins

http://mysocalledlifeandotherlies.blogspot.com/



Needles

Size 5.5mm – two

Gauge

4st per inch

Yarn

Worsted Weight (about 100 yards)



CO 67 stitches

Working in garter stitch (knit all rows) make the brim =

For a toddler size head (fits a three year old, say) make the brim ½ inch

For all other noggins – 3 years up to adult size then make brim 1 ½ inch.

Working in Stocking Stitch (knit one row then purl one row) knit thirty rows ending in a purl row.

Then start to decrease:

Decrease:

K1, *k4, k2tog repeat from * to end of row
P one row
K1, *k3, k2tog repeat from * to end of row
P one row
k1, *k2, k2tog repeat from * to end of row
P one row
k1, *k1, k2tog repeat from * to end of row
*p2 tog repeat from * to end of row
*k2tog repeat from * to end of row

Repeat last two rows til end of stitches BO tightly

Using mattress stitch sew the hat's seams together (instructions for mattress stitch here: http://www.knitty.com/ISSUEspring04/mattress.html)

Weave in ends.

Lining the hat:

If you want to line the hat then instructions can be found over on Grace's blog here: http://uncommongrace.typepad.com/uncommongrace/2008/01/how-to-line-a-h.html

*{there are many, many hats out there which have similar basic construction to this one. If you think about it there are also many ways to make this hat more interesting – you could use stripes of different coloured yarn, or use purl stitch a couple times to add a different stripe in the same colour yarn, or even rib the hat using a simple *K2, P1 rep from * technique. You could even add ear flaps. How about that. This basic hat leaves it up to you to add some individuality.}