



BINARY ASS HAT!

I have a brother in Law that convinced me that as I had his family for Christmas exchange this year, and planned to make his whole family hats, I decided he deserved a hat that stated he was an ass. I looked up the binary equivalent for the word and got these two sets of characters.

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011000010111001101110011 (24 characters)

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010000010111001101110011 (24 Characters)

I decided that 0=purl, and 1=knit.

Using worsted yarn (I used mission falls 1824 wool), and US 7, 16 inch circular needles

Cast On 96 stitches, and repeat the above series 4 times. I used the lower case version.

To do the stripes although you could definitely do it without stripes. I knit in first color for 3 inches, then the second color for 1 inch then first color for 2 rows, then second color for another inch. I then went back to the first color and knit until the whole piece measured about 6 inches and started decreases.

My decreases went as follows:

p1, k2, p2, p2tog, k1, p1, k3, p2tog, k2, p1, k3, p2, k2 and repeat 3 more times

knit a row following pattern now established

p1, k2, p1, p2tog, k1, p1, k1, k2tog, p1, k2, p1, k1, k2tog, p1, k2 and repeat 3 more times

knit a round in pattern now established.

P1, k2, p2tog, k1, p1, k2, p1, k2tog, p1, k2, p2, k2tog and repeat 3 more times

knit a round in pattern as now established.

P1, k2tog, p1, k1, p1, k2tog, p1, k1, p1, k2, p2tog, k1 and repeat 3 more times.

Knit a round in pattern as now established.

(P1, k1)4 times, p1, k2tog, p1, k1 repeat 3 more times.

Knit one round in pattern as now established

p2tog, k2tog, around

k1, p1 around

p2tog, k2tog around

you should have 6 stitches remaining, break yarn, and thread through all stitches, gather and secure inside the hat.

Weave in all ends, and enjoy your secret declaration to the hat's recipient.

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