

More Classic Knits for **Baby Dolls**



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BYE BABY BUNTING

*Bye Baby Bunting,
Father's Gone a Hunting,
To buy a rabbit skin,
To wrap the baby bunting in.*

Not a rabbit skin, but a lovely cape to wrap your loved baby doll as part of the lovely set originally designed in 1940 for a 40–43 cm (16–17 in) chubby celluloid baby doll – but would look equally lovely on a doll of any age. The set, which is in an easy-to-knit 4 row pattern, consists of a cape, dress, bonnet/cap, booties, and panties.

Materials

75 g (3 oz) 2-ply wool, or chain store 3 ply baby wool
3.75 mm (9) [US 5] knitting needles
3.25 mm (10) [US 4] knitting needles
2.75 mm (12) [US 2] knitting needles
Medium size crochet hook 2.50 mm (12) [B/1]
4 buttons

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	21.5 cm	8 in
	Length of skirt	12 cm	4 in
	Width around underarm	30.5 cm	12 in
	Width around hem	81 cm	32 in
	Length of sleeve seam	2.5 cm	1 in
Bonnet/cap	Facial	27 cm	10 ¾ in
	Front to back	8 cm	3 ¼ in
Bootees	Top to bottom	4 cm	1 ¾ in
	Length of foot	6.5 cm	2 ½ in
Panties	Waist to crotch – back	12.5 cm	5 in
	Front	9.5 cm	3 ¾ in
	Width around waist	30.5 cm	12 in
	Leg seam – outside	12.5 cm	5 in
	Inside	3.5 cm	1 ½ in
Cape	Neck to hem	14 cm	5 ½ in
	Width around neck edge	22 cm	8 ¾ in
	Width around hem	50 cm	20 in

Tension

1 pattern in width (unstretched) = 2.5 cm (1 in)

3 patterns in depth (unstretched) = 2.5 cm (1 in)

Pattern - 4 rows to pattern, multiple of 8 sts plus 5 in width.

Dress

Using 3.75 mm (9) [US5] needles cast on 109 sts loosely.

Knit 3 rows.

PATTERN

1st row: p5, * wrn, sl 1 purlwise, k2 tog, pssso, wrn, p5, repeat from * to end.

2nd row: knit

3rd row: k5, *p3, k5, repeat from * to end.

4th row: purl.

Repeat the pattern 12 times.

Starting with a purl row work 3 rows in st st.

Next row: *k10, k2 tog, repeat to last st, k1.

Next row: p2 tog, repeat to end of row (50 sts).

Ribbon hole row: k2 tog, *(m1, k2 tog) repeat from * to end of row.

Next row: purl.

Continuing in st st, dec 1 st at both ends of next and following 3 alt rows.

Purl 1 row.

Armhole shaping

Cast off 3 sts knit to end.

Next row: cast off 3 sts, *k1 p1, repeat to end of row.

Repeat the last 2 rows (omitting the cast off sts) for 12 rows***.

Next row: k9, cast off 20, k9.

Work on the last 9 sts for 8 rows.

Cast off.

Return to remaining 9 sts and work likewise.

BACK

Work in the same manner as the front to ***

Work 18 rows in st st.

Next row: k9, cast off 20 sts, k9

Work on both 9 shoulder sts for 5 rows.

Cast off.

SLEEVES

Cast on 26 sts.

Knit 3 rows.

Next row: k2, *inc in every st to last 2 sts, k2 (48 sts).

1st row: knit.

2nd row: k1, p1.

Repeat the last 2 rows once.

Continuing in pattern of the last 2 rows, dec at both ends of every row until 14 sts remain.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up shoulder seam 1 cm (1/2 in) from armhole edge. Sew sleeve in position (to where the 3 sts were cast off on bodice). Sew up sleeve and side seams. Make two small loops on each shoulder back, and sew two small buttons on each shoulder front to correspond. Thread ribbon through ribbon holes at waist.

Cape

Using 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles, cast on 133 sts.

Work in garter st for 11 rows.

Work the 4 row pattern as given for the dress 12 times, decreasing 1st at end of last row.

1st row: *k2, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

2nd row: knit.

3rd row: *k2, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

4th row: knit.

5th row: *k3, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

6th row: k2, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

7th row: knit.

8th row: knit.

Cast off.

Thread ribbon through holes and tie at neck front.

Bonnet/cap

Using 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles cast on 77 sts.

Knit 1 row.

Commence pattern as given for dress and work 7 patterns.

Crown shaping

1st row: *k9, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

2nd and alternate rows: knit.

3rd row: *k8, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

5th row: *k7, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

7th row: *k6, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

9th row: *k5, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

11th row: *k4, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

13th row: *k3, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

15th row: *k2, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

17th row: *k1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

Break off yarn.

TO MAKE UP

Thread yarn through needle and then through remaining stitches, draw up and secure firmly. It is up to you whether you make the finished article into a bonnet, by stitching down to where the pattern rows finish. If making it a bonnet, sew ribbons to both front corners.

If you wish to make it a cap do so by stitching the two side edges together.

Bootees (worked from bottom up)

Using 3.25 mm (10) [US4] needles cast on 25 sts.

Knit 1 row.

(To inc knit twice into next st)

1st row: k1, inc, k9, inc, k1, inc, k9, inc, k1.

2nd and every alternate row: Knit.

3rd row: k1, inc, k11, inc, k1, inc, k11, inc, k1.

5th row: k1, inc, k13, inc, k1, inc, k13, inc, k1.

7th row: k1, inc, k15, inc, k1, inc, k15, inc, k1.

Knit 6 rows.

Next row: k24, k2 tog, turn *sl 1, k7, k2 tog, turn.

Repeat from * until 28 sts, remain.

Knit right across all sts.

Knit 1 row.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back and side seams. Make a rosette of ribbon to put on instep, and if you wish, attach the middle of a length of ribbon to back seam and tie in front.

Panties

Using 2.75 mm (12) [US 2] needles cast on 56 sts.

Work 5 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Next row: k2, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

Work 4 row in rib.

1st row: k7, turn, purl.

2nd row: k14, turn, purl.

3rd row: k21, turn, purl.

Continue as above, knitting 7 more sts each time until all the sts have been worked.

Next row: purl.

Next and every 2nd row: inc 1 st at beginning of row (long side) until there are 63 sts.

Work 10 rows (*11 rows on 2nd leg).

Cast off 3 sts at the beginning of the next 4 rows.

Next row: *k4, inc, rep to last st k1 (51 sts).

Work 8 rows in lacy pattern.

Cast off.

Work another leg, but shape on the purl row instead of knit rows, thus, p7, turn, knit back, and work 11 rows * where shown instead of 10.

TO MAKE UP

Sew the two long sides together (back) and the two short sides together (front). Sew from end of one leg across lacy patterns, crotch and lacy part of the other leg. Thread ribbon or elastic through holes at waist.

CRY, BABY, CRY

*Cry, baby cry,
Put your finger in your eye,
And tell your mother it wasn't I*

Originally designed in the late 1940s for a 46 cm (18 in) doll, this lovely little set of dress, bonnet, panties and booties, with its bell-like pattern, makes an ideal set for any baby doll, of today or yesteryear.

Materials

- 75 g (2 oz) 3-ply baby wool
- 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] knitting needles
- Crochet hook 3 mm (11) [C/2]
- 3 small press studs (press fasteners)
- 3 m (just over 3 cms) narrow ribbon
- 50 cm (1/2 cm) wider ribbon for bonnet strings.

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	20 cm	8 in
	Length of skirt	12.5 cm	5 in
	Width around underarm	30.5 cm	12 in
	Width around hem	76 cm	30 in
	Length of sleeve seam	3 cm	1 1/4 in
Bonnet	Facial measurement	22 cm	8 3/4 in
	Front to back	12 cm	4 3/4 in
	Front to back with turned back brim	10 cm	4 in
Bootees	Top to bottom	6.5 cm	2 1/2 in
	Top to bottom with top turned over	4.5 cm	1 1/2 in
	Length of foot	6 cm	2 1/4 in
Panties	Waist to crotch	11 cm	4 1/2 in
	Width around waist	25 cm	10 in
	Length of leg seam	8 cm	3 1/4 in

Tension

8 sts = 2.5 cm (1 in) over st st

10 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

4 rows to lacy pattern in connection with 4 rows of st st.

Dress

FRONT**

Cast on 123 sts.

Work 4 rows in garter st, then 4 rows in st st.

Work in pattern as follows:

1st row: k1, *k1, m1, k5, m1, rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

2nd row: k1, *p1, k1, p5, k1, rep from * to last 2 sts, p1, k1.

3rd row: k1 *k1, p1, wkn, k5, wrn, p1. Rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

4th row: k1 *p1, k2, p5 tog, k2, rep from * to last 2 sts, p1, k1.

Work 4 rows st st.

Repeat the last 8 rows 5 times.

Proceed as follows:

1st row: k1, (k2 tog) 16 times, (k3 tog) 20 times, (k2 tog) 15 times. (52 sts)

2nd row: knit.

3rd row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, k1, repeat from * to end of row.

4th row: knit, dec 1 st at end of row**.

Work 4 rows in st st, then the 4 pattern rows once.

Armhole shaping

Keeping continuity of stripes, cast off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each end of the next 2 rows.

Continue without shaping, until 3rd lacy stripe in bodice is worked.

Next row: k12, cast off 15 sts, k12.

Continue in stocking stitch on last 12 sts, dec 1 st at neck edge every alternate row until 10 sts remain.

Work 3 rows without shaping.

Cast off.

Join in yarn at centre and work on remaining sts to correspond with other side.

BACK

Work as given for front from ** to **

Proceed as follows:

1st row: k27, turn.

2nd row: purl to end of row.

Continue working on these 27 sts as follows:

Work 2 rows in st st, then 4 pattern rows once.

Keeping continuity of stripes, cast off 4 sts at the beginning of next row.

Then dec 1 st at armhole edge in next 2 rows.

Continue in pattern without shaping until armhole measures same as front. Cast off.

Join in yarn at centre, cast on 2 sts and work on these sts. to correspond with other side.

SLEEVES

Cast on 27 sts.

1st row: knit.

2nd row: *k1, m1, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

3rd row: knit.

4th row: (k1, inc in next st) 5 times, (inc once in next st) 7 times, (inc once in next st, k1) 4 times, inc once in the last 2 sts. (45 sts)

5th row: purl.

Work 2 rows in st st, then the 4 pattern rows once.

Continue in st st shaping top of sleeve by casting off 6 sts at beg of next 2 rows, then cast off 3 sts at beg of every row until 15 sts remain.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up shoulder seams, sew in sleeves, then sew up sleeve seam and side seam. Sew press studs on back opening. Thread ribbon through holes at waist and sleeves. If you wish, work a row of picots around neck and sleeves as follows: *4 ch, 1 dc, in first ch on hook, miss 2 dc, 1 dc into next dc.

Bonnet

Cast on 69 sts.

Work 16 rows in garter st.

Work the 4 pattern rows and the 4 st st rows alternately 3 times, then the 4 pattern rows again, inc 1 st at end of last row. (28 rows)

Proceed as follows:

1st row: *k8, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

2nd and alternate rows: knit.

3rd row: *k7, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

Continue decreasing in this manner, with 1 st, less between decrease, every alternate row, until there are 14 sts on the needle.

Next row: k2 tog, all along row.

Break off yarn.

TO MAKE UP

Thread needle, and run through remaining sts. Draw up and fasten off, sew up back seam to end of pattern rows. Turn back garter st band halfway, and stitch down band at each end. Sew on ribbon strings.

Booties

Cast on 27 sts.

Work 2 rows in garter st, then the 4 pattern rows once.

Next row: knit.

Work 6 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Ribbon hole row: *k1, m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Next row: purl.

1st row: k17, turn.

2nd row: k7, turn.

Work 9 rows in garter st, on these 7 sts.

Then pick up and knit 6 sts along instep, knit remaining 10 sts.

Next row: k23 sts, pick up and knit 6 sts down other side of instep, knit 10 (39 sts).

Knit 7 rows in garter st.

Foot shaping

1st row: k15, k2 tog, k5, k2 tog, k15.

2nd row: k2 tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2 tog.

3rd row: k13, k2 tog, k5, k2 tog, k13.

4th row: as 2nd row.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back and bottom of foot. Thread ribbon through holes at instep.

Panties

FRONT

Cast on 44 sts.

Work 3 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Next row: k2, *m1, k2 tog, k1 repeat from * to end.

Work 3 rows in k1, p1, rib, inc 1 st at end of 3rd row.

Work 4 rows in st st and 4 rows in pattern twice, then 4 rows in st st (20 rows).

Continue in st st.

Dec 1 st at each end of every row until 15 sts remain.

Work 2 rows st st without shaping.

Cast off.

BACK

Work the first 7 rows of rib and ribbon holes as given for front.

Shape back as follows:

1st row: k37 turn.

2nd row: p29, turn.

3rd row: k21, turn.

4th row: purl to last st k1.

Work 4 rows in st st and 4 rows in pattern alternately until 3rd st st stripe is worked then finish with dec instructions as given for front.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up side and bottom seam. Thread ribbon or elastic through ribbon holes at waist. If you wish work picot edge around legs as given for dress.

Bonnet

Cast on 69 sts.

Work 16 rows in garter st.

Work the 4 pattern rows and the 4 st st rows alternately 3 times, then the 4 pattern rows again, inc 1 st at end of last row. (28 rows)

Proceed as follows:

1st row: *k8, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

2nd and alternate rows: knit.

3rd row: *k7, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

Continue decreasing in this manner, with 1 st, less between decrease, every alternate row, until there are 14 sts on the needle.

Next row: k2 tog, all along row.

Break off yarn.

TO MAKE UP

Thread needle, and run through remaining sts. Draw up and fasten off, sew up back seam to end of pattern rows. Turn back garter st band halfway, and stitch down band at each end. Sew on ribbon strings.

Booties

Cast on 27 sts.

Work 2 rows in garter st, then the 4 pattern rows once.

Next row: knit.

Work 6 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Ribbon hole row: *k1, m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Next row: purl.

1st row: k17, turn.

2nd row: k7, turn.

Work 9 rows in garter st, on these 7 sts.

Then pick up and knit 6 sts along instep, knit remaining 10 sts.

Next row: k23 sts, pick up and knit 6 sts down other side of instep, knit 10 (39 sts).

Knit 7 rows in garter st.

Foot shaping

1st row: k15, k2 tog, k5, k2 tog, k15.

2nd row: k2 tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2 tog.

3rd row: k13, k2 tog, k5, k2 tog, k13.

4th row: as 2nd row.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back and bottom of foot. Thread ribbon through holes at instep.

Panties

FRONT

Cast on 44 sts.

Work 3 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Next row: k2, *m1, k2 tog, k1 repeat from * to end.

Work 3 rows in k1, p1, rib, inc 1 st at end of 3rd row.

Work 4 rows in st st and 4 rows in pattern twice, then 4 rows in st st (20 rows).

Continue in st st.

Dec 1 st at each end of every row until 15 sts remain.

Work 2 rows st st without shaping.

Cast off.

BACK

Work the first 7 rows of rib and ribbon holes as given for front.

Shape back as follows:

1st row: k37 turn.

2nd row: p29, turn.

3rd row: k21, turn.

4th row: purl to last st k1.

Work 4 rows in st st and 4 rows in pattern alternately until 3rd st st stripe is worked then finish with dec instructions as given for front.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up side and bottom seam. Thread ribbon or elastic through ribbon holes at waist. If you wish work picot edge around legs as given for dress.

DANCE, LITTLE BABY, DANCE

*Dance, little baby, dance up high!
Never mind, baby, mother is by,
Crow and caper, caper and crow,
There, little baby, there you go*

Worked throughout in 3-ply yarn, this little outfit of dress, bonnet, booties, petticoat (sleeveless dress), panties, shawl and hooded cape makes an ideal small trousseau for the very popular 11 cm (4 1/4 in) 'mini' baby dolls. By making the petticoat in a different colour, it becomes an extra dress. Decorate it, and the front edges of the cape with modern stick on 'jewels' for a lovely effect.

Materials

25 g (1 oz) pink or other colour 3-ply yarn, for dress, bonnet, booties and hooded cape

25 g (1 oz) of white 3-ply yarn for the panties and petticoat (sleeveless dress)

25 g (1 oz) of white 3-ply yarn for the shawl

2.5 mm (13) [US 1] knitting needles

2 mm (14) [US 0] knitting needles

3.75 mm (9) [US 5] knitting needles for shawl

Tiny buttons or beads

1 metre (approx 1 yd) of thin matching ribbon

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	8.5 cm	3 1/2 in
	Length of skirt	5.5 cm	2 1/4 in
	Width around underarm	7.5 cm	3 in
	Width around hem	16.5 cm	6 1/2 in
Bonnet	Facial length	6 cm	2 1/2 in
	Front to back	2.5 cm	1 in
	Length of sleeve	0.5 cm	1/4 in
Bootees	Top to bottom	2 cm	3/4 in
	Length of foot	2.5 cm	1 in
Petticoat/sleeveless dress	Neck to hem	8 cm	3 1/4 in
	Width around underarm	7.5 cm	3 in
	Width around skirt	16.5 cm	6 1/2 in
Panties	Waist to crotch	3 cm	1 1/4 in
	Width around waist	8 cm	3 1/4 in

	Leg seam	1.25 cm	½ in
Cape	Neck to hem	6 cm	2 ½ in
	Neck to top of hood	4 cm	1 ½ in
	Around face	7 cm	2 ¾ in
	Width around hem	12.5 cm	5 in
Shawl		12.5 x 13.5 cm	5 x 5 in

Tension

10 sts = 2.5 cm (1 in)

13 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

1 row to pattern – multiple of 3 sts plus 1.

Dress (worked in one piece)

With pink yarn and 2.5 mm (13) [US 2] needles cast on 64 sts.

Work 3 rows in garter st.

Next row: *k2 tog, m1, k1, repeat from * to last 4 sts, k2 tog, m1, k2.

Repeat the last row 11 times.

Work 16 rows in st st.

Next row: k2 tog, repeat all along row.

Work st 3 rows.

Next row: knit 8 sts, turn, cast on 5 sts.

2nd row: ms3, purl to last 2 sts, k2.

3rd row: k10, ms3.

4th row: ms3, k8, k2.

5th row: k10, ms3.

Repeat the last 2 rows once, break off yarn, but keep stitches on needle but do not use.

Join in yarn to remaining work

1st row: k16, turn, cast on 5 sts.

2nd row: ms3, purl to end, cast on 5 sts.

3rd row: ms3, k20, ms3.

4th row: ms3, p20, ms3.

Repeat last 2 rows once.

7th row: ms3, k20, ms3, break off yarn, but keep stitches on needle (do not use).

Join in yarn to remaining sts.

1st row: k8, turn.

2nd row: k2, p6, cast on 5 sts.

3rd row: ms3, knit to end.

4th row: k2, p8, ms3.

Repeat last 2 rows once.

7th row: ms3, knit to end.

Working on all sts now on your right-hand needle, work as follows:

1st row: k2, p8, ms6, p20, ms6, p8, k2.

2nd row: k2, (k2 tog – 3 times) k2, ms2, k2 tog, ms2, k2, (k2 tog 8 times), k2, ms2, k2 tog, ms2, k2, (k2 tog, 3 times) k2.

Using knit st cast off firmly.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back seam to waist. Sew a tiny bead or button at neck, and push through stitches on other side of opening.

Bonnet

Using pink yarn and 2.5 mm (13) [US 1] needles cast on 24 sts.

Work 3 rows in garter st.

1st row: *k2 tog, m1, k1, repeat from * to last 4 sts, k2 tog, m1, k2.

Repeat last row 7 times.

Cast off 8 sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Work 8 rows in st st on remaining sts.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up cast off edges to sides of extension piece, and sew thin ribbon to each side of bonnet at front.

Petticoat (or sleeveless dress)

Using white yarn and 2.5 mm (13) [US 1] needles, cast on 64 sts.

Work 3 rows in garter st.

1st row: *k2 tog, m1, k1, repeat from * to last 4 sts, k2 tog, m1, k2.

Repeat 1st row.

Work 4 rows in st st.

Repeat 1st row twice.

Work 18 rows in st st.

Next row: k2 tog, repeat all along row (32 sts).

Purl 1 row.

Knit 1 row.

Purl 1 row.

Work 9 sts, turn.

Starting with a purl row, work 4 rows in st st on these 9 sts.

Break off wool, but keep stitches on needle but not in use.

Join in yarn and knit 14 sts, turn.

Starting with a purl row, work 4 rows in st st, on these 14 sts.

Break off yarn, keep stitches on needle, but not in use.

Join in yarn and work 5 rows st st on remaining 9 sts.

Next row: Purl across all sts on needle (32sts).

Knit 1 row.

Next row: *k2 tog, k1, repeat from * to end of row.

Purl 1 row.

Cast off in knit st.

TO MAKE UP

Carefully sew up back seam to waist. Sew tiny buttons or beads on one side of back bodice, and carefully push through knitted material to form buttonholes.

If you wish you may embroider rosebuds or other small flowers between pattern rows on the hem of the petticoat and at front of bodice.

Panties

With white yarn and 2.5 mm (13) [US 1] needles, cast on 16 sts.

Work 6 rows in st st.

Dec both ends of every row until 4 sts remain.

Work 6 rows on these 4 sts.

Increase both ends of every row until there are 16 sts.

Work 6 rows in st st.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Join side seams, and if you wish you may crochet around legs with fine silk or embroidery cotton.

Bootees (worked from the base of the foot)

Using 2 mm (14) [US 0] needles, cast on 21 sts.

Work 4 rows in garter st.

Shaping the instep

1st dec row: k8, sl 1, k1, pssso, k1, k2 tog, k8.

2nd row: k7, k2 tog, k1, sl 1, k1, pssso, k7.

3rd row: k6, sl 1, k1, pssso, k1, k2 tog, k6.

4th row: k5, k2 tog, k1, sl 1, k1, pssso, k5 (13 sts).

Ribbon hole row: k1, (m1, k2 tog) 6 times.

Work 2 rows in garter st. Cast off loosely.

Make another bootie in the same way.

TO MAKE UP

Join the back and underfoot seams, thread ribbon through ribbon holes.

Hooded cape

This can be used in conjunction with the petticoat to make another outfit.

Using 2.5 mm (13) [US 1] needles and the colour of your choice cast on 43 sts.

Work 4 rows in garter st.

Continue in st st, for 20 rows, but knit 4 sts at each end of needle in garter st for border.

Next row: k8, k2 tog, (k10, k2 tog) twice, k9.

Next row: k9, purl 32, k4.

Next row: Cast off 2 sts, k3 (1st already on needle), (k2 tog) 15 times, k5.

Next row: Cast off 2 sts, k2, (1st already on the needle) purl to last 2 sts, k2.

Continue in st st for 18 rows, keeping the 2 garter st border at each end.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Fold in half, and sew up seam at top of hood. Run a length of very fine ribbon through dec row for tying cape under the chin. Decorate with stick-on "jewels".

Shawl

With 3.75 mm (10) [US 5] needles and 3-ply yarn cast on 60 sts.

Work 7 rows in garter st.

Pattern row

K4 *k2 tog, m1, k1 repeat from * to last 5 sts, k5

Repeat the last row 59 times.

Work 7 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

If you want a larger shawl, use 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles.

DIDDLE, DIDDLE, DUMPLING, MY SON JOHN

*Diddle diddle dumpling, my son John
Went to bed with his trousers on,
One sock off and one sock on,
Diddle diddle dumpling, my son John*

Knitted entirely in 5-ply yarn, this quickly knitted set consists of dress, bonnet, bootees, panties and a matching jacket, suitable for 41–46 cm (16–18 in) dolls of all ages.

Materials

100 g (4 oz) of 5-ply yarn

3.25 mm (10) [US 4] and 2.75 mm (12) [US 1] knitting needles

3 m (approx 3 yd) of matching ribbon

Medium crochet hook 3.25 mm (10) [D/8]

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	22 cm	8 ¾ in
	Width around underarm	28 cm	11 in
	Width around hem	48 cm	19 in
	Length of sleeve seam	5 cm	2 in
Bonnet	Face edge	20 cm	8 in
	Depth to back	10.5 cm	4 ¼ in
Panties	Waist to crotch	12 cm	4 ¾ in
	Width around waist	25 cm	10 in
	Leg seam	6 cm	2 ½ in
Bootees	Length top to bottom	7.5 cm	3 in
	Length of foot	6 cm	2 ½ in
Jacket	Shoulder to hem	16.5 cm	6 ½ in
	Width around underarm	28 cm	11 in
	Width around hem	51 cm	20 in
	Length of sleeve	9 cm	3 ½ in

Tension

7 sts = 2.5 cm (1 in) across stocking stitch

9 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in) over st st

8 rows to pattern = 12 sts to pattern in width.

Dress (back and front alike to armhole shaping)

Using 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles, cast on 79 sts, and work 4 rows in garter st.

Then knit 1 row, purl 1 row, knit 1 row.

Next row: k3, *k3, k2 tog, rep from * to last 6 sts, k6, (65 sts)

Work in pattern as follows:

**1st row: k1, *wl fwd, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, wl fwd, k3, rep from * to last 4 sts, wl fwd, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, wl fwd, k1.

2nd and following alternate rows: purl.

3rd row: *k2 tog, wl fwd, k1, wl fwd, sl 1, k1, pssso, k1, rep from * to last 5 sts, k2 tog, wl fwd, k1, wl fwd, sl 1, k1, pssso.

5th row: k4, *wl fwd, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, wl fwd, k3, rep from * to last st, k1.

7th row: k3, *k2 tog, wl fwd, k1, wl fwd, sl 1, k1, pssso, k1, rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

8th row: purl**.

Repeat these last 8 rows three times, then work 1st to 6th rows inclusive.

Next row: k6, *inc in next st, k3, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3, (79 sts)

Starting with a purl row, work 7 rows in st st.

Next row: k3 tog, k3 tog, *k2 tog, rep from * to last 7 sts, k3 tog, k3 tog, k1.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *wl fwd, k2 tog, rep from * to last st, k1.

Purl 1 row, knit 1 row, and purl 1 row.

Back armhole shaping

Cast off 2 sts at start of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each end of next row and the following alternate row.

Work 15 rows straight on remaining 30 sts.

Back neck shaping

k7, cast off 16 sts, work 7 sts.

Purl 1 row, cast off.

Rejoin yarn to neck edge of remaining st, purl 1 row, cast off.

Front armhole shaping

Cast off 2 sts at start of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each end of next row and the following alternate row.

Work 11 rows in st st.

Front neck shaping

Knit 10, cast off 10 sts, k10.

On last 10 sts: p8, k2 tog.

Next row: k2 tog, k7.

Next row: p6, p2 tog.

Next row: k7.

Next row: p7.

Cast off.

Work other side of neck shaping to correspond, working 2 tog at neck edges.

SLEEVES (BOTH ALIKE)

Using 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles cast on 31 sts and work 3 rows in garter st.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *wl fwd, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

Starting with a purl row, work 11 rows in st st.

Top shaping

Dec 1 st at each end of the next 5 alt rows, then at each end of every row 5 times.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Join back and front of dress, at shoulder, for 1 cm (1/4 in) only, set in sleeves, and then sew up sleeve and side seams. Using the crochet hook, work 1 dc 3 ch, 1 dc. Button loops along back shoulder edges. Sew buttons on front shoulders. Thread matching ribbon through ribbon holes at waist and sleeve edges.

Jacket

BACK

With 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles cast on 79 sts and work 4 rows in garter st.

Knit 1 row.

Purl 1 row.

Knit 1 row.

Next row: k3, *k3, k2 tog, rep from * to last 6 sts, k6. (65 sts)

Work 1 whole pattern as given for dress back, then work rows 1-6 of pattern.

Next row: k6, *inc in next st, k3, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

Starting with a purl row, work 7 rows in st st.

Next row: k3 tog, k3 tog, *k2 tog, rep from * to last 7 sts, k3 tog, k3 tog, k1.

Ribbon hole row: k1, w1 fwd, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

Purl 1 row, knit 1 row, purl 1 row.

Armhole shaping

Cast off 2 sts at start of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at each end of next row and following alternate row (30 sts).

Work 17 rows in st st without further shaping.

Cast off 7 sts at beginning of next 2 rows. Cast off.

LEFT FRONT

With 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles cast on 40 sts, and work 4 rows in garter st.

Next row: knit.

Next row: k3 (border), purl to end of row.

Next row: knit.

Next row: k3, *k2 tog, k3 rep from * to last 2 sts, k2 tog.

1st pattern row: k1, *w1 fwd, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, w1 fwd, k3, rep from * to last st k1.

2nd and alternate rows: k3, purl to end.

3rd row: *k2 tog, w1 fwd, k1, w1 fwd, sl 1, k1, pssso, k1, rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

5th row: k4 * w1 fwd, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, w1 fwd, k3, rep from * to last 4 sts, k4.

7th row: k3, *k2 tog, w1 fwd, k1, w1 fwd, sl 1, k1, pssso, k1, rep from * to last 5 sts, k5.

8th row: purl.

Work rows 1-6 of pattern.

Next row: inc in 1st st *k3, inc in next st, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

Next row: k3, purl to end.

Work 6 rows in st st with garter st border.

Next row: k1, *k2 tog, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3

Next row: k3, p24. (27 sts)

Ribbon hole row: k1 *w1 fwd, k2 tog, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

Work 3 rows in st st.

****Armhole shaping

Cast off 2 sts, at start of next row, then dec 1 st at each end of next row and following alternate row (19 sts).

Work 12 rows in st st [work 13 rows here for right front].

Neck shaping

Cast off 8 sts, at start of next row, then dec 1 st at neck edge of next 3 rows.

Work 3 rows. Cast off remainder****.

RIGHT FRONT

With 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles cast on 40 sts and work 4 rows in garter st.

Next row: purl to last 3 sts, k3 for border.

Next row: knit.

Next row: k2 tog, *k3, k2 tog, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

1st pattern row: k1, *k3, w1 fwd, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, w1 fwd, rep from * to last st, k1.

2nd and alternate rows: purl to last 3 sts, k3.

3rd row: k2 *k1, k2 tog, w1 fwd, k1, w1 fwd, sl 1, k1, pssso, rep. from * to end.

5th row: k4, *k3, w1 fwd, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, w1 fwd, rep from * to last 4 sts, k4.

7th row: k5, *k1, k2 tog, w1 fwd, k1, w1 fwd, sl 1, k1, pssso, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3

8th row: as for 2nd row.

These 8 rows comprise the pattern, then work 1st to 6th rows.

Next row: k3, *inc in next st, k3, rep from * to last st, inc in last st.

Next row: purl to last 3 sts, k3.

Work 7 rows in st st with garter st border.

Next row: k3, *k2 tog, rep from * to last st, k1.

Next row: p19, k3

Ribbon hole row: k3, *w1 fwd, k2 tog, rep from * to last st, k1.

Work 4 rows without shaping.

Work as left front from **** to ****, work 13 rows instead of 12 rows as for left front.

SLEEVES (BOTH ALIKE)

Using 2.75 mm (12) [US 1] needles cast on 35 st.

Work 8 rows in garter st.

Change to 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles and work 24 rows in st st.

Armhole shaping

Dec 1 st at each end of next 4 alt rows, then each end of following 4 rows work 1 row.

Cast off remaining sts.

TO MAKE UP

Join shoulder seams, set in sleeves, then join sleeve and side seams. Work a row of crochet edging around neck as given for dress. Sew three small buttons or beads evenly down bodice of jacket, and carefully push through garter st border to fasten. Thread ribbon through holes at waist.

Bonnet

With 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles cast on 59 sts and work 4 rows in garter st.

Knit 1 row, purl 1 row, knit 1 row.

Next row: k6, *k2 tog, k2, rep from * to last 5 sts, k5.

Work 8 rows of pattern as given for dress then work 1st to 6th rows of pattern.

Next row: k5, *k2 inc in next st, rep from * to last 6 sts, k6.

Starting with a purl row, work 5 rows in st st, inc

1 st at end of 5th row.

Bonnet shaping

1st row: *k8, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

2nd and following alternate rows: Purl.

3rd row: *k7, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

5th row: *k6, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

7th row: *k5, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

9th row: *k4, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

11th row: *k3, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

13th row: k2, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

14th row: purl. Break off yarn, leaving a long enough length to thread through a darning needle, thread through remaining sts on needle and draw up tightly and secure thoroughly.

TO MAKE UP

Sew back edge to beginning of pattern. Sew ribbons at each of the two front edges.

Panties

Using 2.75 mm (12) [US 1] needles, cast on 40 sts, and work 3 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Ribbon holes: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat to last st, k1 (40 sts).

Work 2 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Change to 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles and working in st st inc 1 st at each end of the 3rd row, and every following 6th row until there are 46 sts.

Work 3 rows in st st.

To shape legs

K2 tog at each end of next 10 rows until 22 sts remain, then dec 1 st at each end of every 2nd row, till 12 sts remain.

Work 3 rows in st st.

Inc in 1st and last st of every alt row continuing in st st until 22 sts are on needle, then inc at each end of next 10 rows (46 sts).

Change to 2.75 mm (12) [US 2] needles and work 2 rows in k1, p1, rib, then a row of ribbon holes, and then 3 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Cast off loosely.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up side seams, then using a medium size crochet hook work around each leg as follows:
3 ch in st for first tr, 3tr into same st, miss 1 st, 1 dc, into next st, *miss 1 st, 4tr in next st, miss 1 st, 1 dc, in next st, miss 1 st, rep from * all around leg opening. Work around second leg to match. Run ribbon or elastic through holes at waist.

Bootees (both alike – worked from bottom to top)

Using 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles, cast on 36 sts.

Knit 1 row, purl 1 row.

1st: k16, inc in next st, k2, inc in next st, k16.

2nd and alternate rows: purl.

3rd row: k17, inc in next st, k2, inc in next st, k17.

5th row: k16, k2 tog, k4, k2 tog, k16.

7th row: knit.

9th row: k16, k2 tog, k2, k2 tog, k16.

11th row: k16, k2tog, k2 tog, k16.

13th row: k16, k2 tog, k16.

14th row: purl.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st k1.

Starting with a purl row, work 5 rows in st st.

Work 4 rows in garter st. Cast off purlwise.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back and side seams, thread ribbon through ribbon holes.

HEY DIDDLE, DIDDLE, THE CAT AND THE FIDDLE

*Hey diddle, diddle the cat and the fiddle,
The cow jumped over the moon,
The little dog laughed to see such fun,
And the dish ran away with the spoon*

A lovely set of doll clothes, for any 25.5 cm (10 in) baby doll that is 18–20 cm (7–8 in) around the widest part of body. The set, knitted in 3-ply, consists of dress, bonnet, booties, jacket, vest and panties.

Materials

50 g (2 oz) 3-ply in main colour for the dress, bonnet, booties and jacket,
25 g (1 oz) 3-ply for the vest and panties
3.25 mm (10) [US 4] knitting needles,
Length of matching ribbon
5 press studs (press fasteners) for dress and jacket

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	15 cm	6 in
	Length of skirt	9 cm	3 ½ in
	Width around underarm	20 cm	8 in
	Width around hem	33 cm	13 in
	Length of sleeve seam	3 cm	1 ¼ in
Bonnet	Facial measurement	16 cm	6 ½ in
	Front to back	7.5 cm	3 in
Booties	Top to bottom	4 cm	1 ½ in
	Length of foot	4 cm	1 ½ in
Jacket	Shoulder to hem	8 cm	3 ¼ in
	Width around underarm	21 cm	8 ¼ in
	Width around hem	30.5 cm	12 in
	Length sleeve seam	6 cm	2 ¼ in
Vest	Shoulder to hem	8 cm	3 ¼ in
	Width around underarm	18 cm	7 in
Panties	Waist to crotch	6.5 cm	2 ½ in
	Width around waist	18 cm	7 in
	Length leg seam	6.5 cm	2 ½ in

Tension

8 sts = 2.5 cm (1 in) across st st

10 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

Lacy pattern consists of 8 rows.

DRESS

FRONT

Using 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles and main colour, cast on 45 sts.

Knit 2 rows.

Work 4 rows in st st.

Purl 2 rows.

Working in lace pattern, proceed as follows:

1st row: *k2, m1, k2 tog, rep from * to last st k1.

2nd and alternate rows: purl.

3rd row: k1, *(m1, k2 tog) twice, k4, rep from * to last 4 sts, (m1, k2 tog) twice.

5th row: as 1st row.

7th row: k1, *k4, (m1, k2 tog) twice, rep. from * to last 4 sts, k4.

Repeat rows 1-8 once, then rows 1-6.

Work 8 rows in st st.

Decrease row: k1, k2 tog, *k1, (k2 tog) twice, rep from * to last 2 sts, k2. (28 sts)

Knit 1 row.

Ribbon hole row: K1, m1, k2 tog, rep from * to last st, k1.

Next row: knit **.

Work 4 rows in st st.

Armhole shaping

Cast off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows.

Work 6 rows in st st.

Neck shaping

Next row: k6, cast off 8, knit to end.

On the last 6 sts work as follows:

Purl 1 row.

Next row: k2 tog, knit to end of row.

Purl 1 row, knit 1 row, purl 1 row, cast off.

Other shoulder

Join in yarn and purl 1 row.

Next row, knit to last 2 sts, k2 tog.

Purl 1 row, knit 1 row, purl 1 row, cast off.

BACK

Work as front until ** is reached

Next row: k15 turn.

Next row: k2, purl 13.

Repeat the last 2 rows once.

Armhole shaping

Continue to keep k2 edge in each row, cast off 4 sts at beg of next row, then work 13 rows in st st.

Cast off.

Join in yarn to sts remaining on needle, cast on 2 sts for underlap, knit these 2 sts on every row, complete shaping etc to match other half of back.

SLEEVES

Cast on 14 sts.

Knit 1 row

Inc. row: (k1, inc in next sts) 7 times (21 sts).

Work rows 1-8 incl of lace pattern then 1st and 2nd rows once.

Cast off loosely.

Work another sleeve in same manner.

NECKBAND

Join back and front of dress at shoulders.

With right side of work facing, pick up and knit 38 sts around neck.

Knit 1 row.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Stitch sleeves into position, and join sleeve and side seams. Attach press studs to back opening, and thread ribbon through holes at waist.

Bonnet

Commencing at front edge, cast on 49 sts.

Knit 2 rows.

Work lace pattern as follows:

1st row: k2 *k2, m1, k2 tog, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

2nd and alternate rows: k2, purl to last 2 sts, k2.

3rd row: *k3, (m1, k2 tog) twice, k1, rep from * to last st, k1.

5th row: as 1st row.

7th row: k3, *k4, (m1, k2 tog) twice, repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2.

8th row: k2, purl to last 2 sts, k2.

Repeat last 8 rows then 1st and 2nd rows.

Work 4 rows in st st.

Cast off 15 sts at beg of next 2 rows (19 sts).

Next row: *k2 tog, repeat to last st k1 (10 sts).

Work 16 rows in st st for back of bonnet.

Next row: k1, (k2 tog) 4 times, k1.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Neatly sew cast off sts to back flap. Attach ribbon to each front edge.

Bootees

Cast on 14 sts.

Knit 8 rows in garter st.

Ribbon hole row: k2, (m1, k2 tog, k1) 4 times.

Next row: Knit.

Instep shaping

1st row: k10, turn.

2nd row: k6, turn.

Knit 7 rows on these 6 sts.

Next pick up and knit 5 sts along side of instep, knit 4 remaining sts.

Next row: k15, pick up and knit 5 sts down other side of instep, knit remaining 4 sts. (24 sts)

Knit 6 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

Work another bootie the same.

TO MAKE UP

Join leg and foot seams, thread ribbon through holes at ankle.

Jacket (worked in one piece to armholes)

Commencing at lower edge, cast on 89 sts.

Knit 2 rows in garter st.

Work lacy pattern and borders as follows:

1st row: k2, *k2, m1, k2 tog, rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

2nd and alternate rows: k2, purl to last 2 sts, k2.

3rd row: *k3, (m1, k2 tog) twice, k1, rep from * to last st k1.

5th row: as 1st row.

7th row: k3, *k4, (m1, k2 tog) twice, repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2.

8th row: k2 purl to last 2 sts, k2.

Repeat 1st row.

Next row: knit.

Work 4 rows in st st.

Next row: k3, (k2 tog, k1) 28 times, k2 (61 sts).

Knit 3 rows.

Armhole shaping

Next row: k14, cast off 4, knit to last 18 sts, cast off 4 sts, knit to end.

Keeping the k2 edge at front correct, proceed in st st on left front (14 sts), dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 2 rows, then work 8 rows without shaping.

Neck shaping

Cast off 5 sts at beg of next row.

Work 3 rows in st st.

Cast off.

Rejoin yarn to middle group of sts. Working in st st on these sts, dec 1 st at both ends of next 2 rows, then work 13 rows without shaping.

Cast off.

Rejoin yarn to remaining sts, and complete shapings etc to match other front.

SLEEVES

Cast on 14 sts.

Knit 2 rows.

Work 2 rows in st st.

Knit 2 rows.

Continue in st st, inc 1 st at both ends of 3rd and every following 4th row until there are 22 sts on needle.

Purl 1 row.

Cast off 1 st at beginning of next 6 rows.

Cast off.

Work another sleeve the same.

COLLAR

Cast on 5 sts, knit 52 rows (26 ridges).

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Join shoulder seams, sew up sleeve seam, sew sleeves into position. Carefully stitch on collar, leaving two stitches free at both front edges of fronts. Close fronts with a snap fastener, and sew a pretty button on outside edge.

Vest (worked in one piece)

Using white 3-ply yarn, cast on 26 sts.

Work 4 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Work 14 rows in st st.

Knit 2 rows.

Next row: cast off 5 sts, knit to end of row.

Repeat last row.

Knit 4 rows in garter st.

Next row: k4, cast off 8 sts, knit to end.

SHOULDER STRAPS

Knit 17 rows in garter st on each group of 4 sts.

Next row: k4, cast on 8 sts, k4

Complete to match other half of vest.

TO MAKE UP

Join up side seams.

Panties

Using 3-ply white yarn, cast on 26 sts.

Work 2 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *rib 2, m1, k2 tog, rep from * to last st p1.

Work 3 rows in rib.

Work 10 rows in st st.

Continue working in st st, cast off 4 sts at beg of next 2 rows.

Dec 1 st at both ends of every row until 6 sts remain.

Work 2 rows.

Cast off.

Work another piece the same.

Join side seams.

LEG BANDS

With right side of work facing, knit up 24 sts around leg opening (omitting the 3 cast off sts).

Work 1 row in k1, p1 rib.

Cast off loosely in rib.

Work a second leg band on other leg opening.

TO MAKE UP

Join the cast off sts and leg bands. Thread either elastic or ribbon through holes at waist.



Bye Baby Bunting A lovely old 38 cm (15 in) 'Orient' Japanese celluloid baby doll, dressed in a knitted dress.



Dance Little Baby, Dance A 11 cm (4½ in) modern 'Mini Baby Born' vinyl baby doll dressed in a hooded cape.



Cry Baby Cry A 46 cm (18 in) modern 'Lots of Love' vinyl baby doll holding an antique rattle.



Dance Little Baby, Dance This time dressed in matching dress and bonnet, with a shawl.



Hey Diddle Diddle A 25 cm (10 in) hard plastic 'Cherub' sleeping-bent-limb doll made in Australia. She's sitting next to a modern miniature dressing table.



Diddle Diddle Dumpling A lovely Australian 42 cm (17 in) black vinyl doll by Netta.

Jack and Jill Standing next to the wooden scooter, made by author's husband Jim, is a 41 cm (16 in) hard plastic 'Drink and Wet New Born Baby' vinyl doll. Sitting on the scooter is a 41 cm (16 in) English made 'Pedigree' vinyl doll with a twist and turn waist.



Nimpy Dumpty This 38 cm (15 in) hard plastic 'Cherub' doll sits next to a travelling trunk made by the author's husband Jim.





Jack Be Nimble This Brevettato Italian bent-leg doll is 36 cm (14 in) and is holding a Steiff monkey.

Little Bo-Peep A modern 41 cm (16 in) 'Drink and Wet New Born Baby' vinyl doll holding a Canadian 'Maple the Bear', a TY Teenie Beanie baby.



Little Boy Blue and Little Bo-Peep



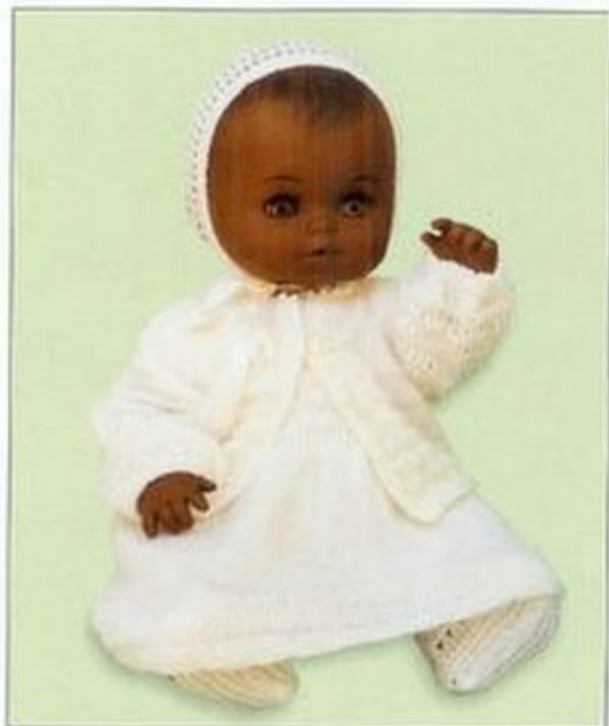
Little Boy Blue A 1950s, 43 cm (17 in) hard plastic English 'Rosebud' doll with a 1930s Japanese teapot in the shape of a racing car.





Little Miss Muffet A 36 cm (14 in)
Australian vinyl doll by Netta of Adelaide
with an early Japanese celluloid
mechanical crawler.

Below left and right *Mary, Mary Quite
Contrary*. A 41 cm (16 in) doll by Sebino
of Italy.



One Two Buckle My Shoe A 1940s, 38 cm (15 in) Australian composition doll by Playmate Toys doll (Miss Hooke) holding an old Japanese celluloid Santa.



Polly Put the Kettle On This 30 cm (12 in) hard plastic sleeping doll was made by Moldex of Melbourne in the 1950s.





Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star This interesting 1930s Laurie Cohen doll is 41 cm (16 in) and has a German bisque head marked A.M. 382, an Australian-made cloth body and Japanese celluloid arms and legs. She is holding a 1930s Japanese Kewpie doll with moulded clothing.

See Saw Margery Daw This 23 cm (9 in), bisque head R86A doll was made in the 1930s by Rehnagel in Germany.



HUMPTY DUMPTY

*Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall,
All the King's horses and all the King's men,
Couldn't put Humpty together again*

Quickly knitted in 5-ply yarn, this little two-toned set is ideal for the modern, slightly chubby 36–38 cm (14–15 in) baby doll. The set consists of a simple dress, bonnet, booties, panties and jacket which can be worked in either the two-toned pattern as given or in one colour only.

Materials

50 g (2 oz) of 5-ply yarn in main colour
50 g (2 oz) of white 5-ply for undies and contrast
3.25 mm (10) [US 4] knitting needles
3 mm (11) [US 3] knitting needles
2 buttons
Ribbon for tying

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	20 cm	8 in
	Width around underarm	30.5 cm	12 in
	Width across front chest	11.5 cm	4 ½ in
	Width around hem	30.5 cm	12 in
	Length of sleeve seam	2.5 cm	1 in
Bonnet	Facial measurement	20 cm	8 in
	Front to back	10 cm	4 in
Booties	Top to bottom	5.5 cm	2 ¼ in
	Length of foot	6 cm	2 ½ in
Panties	Waist to crotch	11 cm	4 ¼ in
	Width around waist	27.5 cm	10 ¾ in
	Leg seam	5 cm	2 in
Jacket	Neck to hem	11 cm	4 ¼ in
	Width around underarm & hem	35.5 cm	14 in
	Length of sleeve seam	11 cm	4 ¼ in

Tension

8 sts = 2.5 cm (1 in) over st st

9 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

4 row to pattern, multiple of 5 sts plus.

Dress (back and front alike)

Using 3.00 mm (11) [US 3] needles and main colour, cast on 55 sts loosely.

The following 4 rows form the lacy pattern.

1st row: p1, *yrn, sl1, k1, pssso, k1, k2 tog, yrn, p1, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd row: k2, *p3, k3, repeat from * to last 5 sts, p3, k2.

3rd row: p1, *p1, yrn, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, yrn, p2, repeat from * to end.

4th row: k3, *p1, k5 repeat from * to last 4 sts, p1, k3.

Repeat the 4 rows of pattern 4 times.

Change to white yarn, repeat the 4 rows of pattern once.

Change to main colour, repeat the 4 rows of pattern 3 times.

Change to white, work the 4 rows of pattern once.

Change to main colour and work the 4 rows of pattern twice.

Then 4 rows of pattern in white once.

Armhole shaping

Still working in pattern and using main colour, cast off 6 sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Next row: k1, *k2 tog, p1, k2 tog, k1 repeat from * to end of row. (29 sts)

Purl 1 row in main colour.

Change to white and work 22 rows in ms.

Cast off.

SLEEVES

Using main colour cast on 37 sts and work the 3 rows of pattern twice.

Change to white yarn and continuing in moss st, dec 1 st at both ends of every 2nd row 4 times, then every row 8 times.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Catch each shoulder together at the armhole end and sew in sleeves. Sew up sleeve and side seams. Make two small loops on each side of back shoulders near armhole end for buttonholes, and sew two small buttons on each side of front shoulders to correspond.

Bonnet

Using 3.00 mm (11) [US 3] needles cast on 61 sts and working in lacy pattern as set for dress, work 20 rows as follows:

4 rows in white, 4 rows in main colour, 4 rows in white, 4 rows in main colour, 4 rows in white.

Still using white, shape back of bonnet:

1st row: *k8, k2 tog repeat from * to last st, k1.

2nd and all alternate rows: purl.

3rd row: *k7, K2 tog, repeat from * to last st k1.

5th row: *k6, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

7th row: *k5, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

9th row: *k4, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

11th row: *k3, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

13th row: *k2, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

15th row: *k1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1, break off yarn.

TO MAKE UP

Thread yarn through remaining sts, draw up and secure, then join back seam to start of patterns.

Bootees

Using main colour and 3.00 mm (11) [US 3] needles, cast on 25 sts.

Work 8 rows in lacy pattern of dress.

Change to 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles and white yarn.

Work 2 rows in st st.

Next row: k16, turn, k7, turn.

Work 8 rows in garter st on these 7 sts.

Next row: k7, pick up and k6 sts down side of instep, k9.

Next row: p22, pick up and p6 sts down other side of instep, p9. (37 sts)

Work 6 rows in st st.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back and bottom seams of foot. If you wish you can thread ribbon around foot at bottom of 2nd lacy pattern.

Panties (worked in one piece)

Using white yarn and 3.00 mm (11) [US 3] needles, cast on 40 sts.

Work 3 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row, p1.

Work 2 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Change to 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles and work 10 rows in st st.

Cast off 2 sts at beginning of next 10 rows.

Dec 1 st at beginning of next 10 rows.

Work 6 rows in st st.

Inc 1 st at beginning of next 10 rows.

Cast on 2 sts at beginning of next 10 rows.

Work 10 rows in st st.

Change to 3.00 mm (11) [US 3] needles and work 2 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Ribbon hole row: k1 *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row, p1.

Work 3 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up side seams. Thread ribbon or elastic through ribbon holes.

Jacket (back and fronts worked in one piece to armhole)

Using 3.00 mm (11) [US 3] needles and main colour, loosely cast on 121 sts.

Working in lacy pattern as set for dress,

Work 1 pattern in main colour.

1 pattern in white.

1 pattern in main colour.

1 pattern in white.

1 pattern in main colour.

1 pattern in white.

Divide for armholes (continue in ms).

Next row: Work 28 sts in ms, k2 tog, turn.

Working on these sts only for right front, dec 1 st at armhole edge on every row until 16 sts remain.

Neck shaping

Cast off 4 sts at neck edge, then dec at armhole edge every row, and at neck edge in every 2nd row, until 1 st remains. Fasten off.

Rejoin yarn to right side of remaining sts, k2 tog, pattern 57 sts in ms, k2 tog, turn.

Working on these 59 sts (only for back), dec 1 st at each end of every row until 17 sts remain.

Cast off.

Left front

Rejoin yarn to inner edge of remaining 30 sts for left front, k2 tog, pattern in ms to end.

Complete to match the right front, with neck and armhole shapings worked at opposite ends of work to right front.

SLEEVES

Using main colour and 3.00 mm (11) [US 4] needles, cast on 25 sts.

Work 8 rows of lacy pattern as set for front, inc at both ends of needle in every 4th row (29 sts).

Change to white yarn, and continue in ms.

Inc at both ends of needle in every 4th row, until you have 43 sts on needle.

Work 4 rows without shaping.

Armhole shaping

Cast off 2 sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Dec at both ends of needle until 9 sts remain.

Cast off.

Work another sleeve the same.

TO MAKE UP

Sew sleeves into position, and sew up sleeve seams.

NECKBAND

With right side of neck facing you, and using No.11 needles and main colour, pick up and knit 11 sts across front, 7 across sleeves, 14 across back, 7 across other sleeve, 11 across other front.

Work 3 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Next row: k1 *m1, k2 tog, repeat to last st, k1.

Work 3 rows in rib. Cast off loosely.

Carefully sew cast off edge to inside of neck. This will give a knitted picot type of edge to the band.

JACK AND JILL

*Jack & Jill went up the hill
To fetch a pail of water,
Jack fell down, and broke his crown,
And Jill came tumbling after*

Originally designed for a 1930s bisque-headed baby doll, this three-piece set of coat, cap and leggings, knitted entirely in garter stitch, is equally suitable for the many 41 cm (16 in) plastic baby dolls that are available everywhere today. Depending on the colours or the trim used, it can be used for a 'Jack' or 'Jill' baby doll, and the width around the underarm is variable, depending on the crossover of the jacket. Although it might look like the 'Jack be Nimble' set, it is quite different in concept, and if the two outfits are done in complementary colours, they make a matching pair.

Materials

50 g (2oz) 4-ply baby yarn

A small quantity of mohair or Angora yarn, or contrast colour 4-ply

3.75 mm (9) [US 5] knitting needles

3 buttons for the coat

3 snap fasteners (press studs)

Length of elastic for the leggings

Measurements

Coat	Shoulder to hem	15 cm	6 in
	Width around underarm when fastened	33 cm	13 in
	Width around hem	40 cm	15 ¾ in
	Length of sleeve seam	8 cm	3 in
Leggings	Waist to crotch – back	12 cm	4 ¾ in
	Waist to crotch – front	10 cm	4 in
	Width around waist	30.5 cm	12 in
	Length of leg to foot shaping	17 cm	6 ¾ in
	Inside leg to sole of foot	12 cm	4 ¾ in
	Length of foot	8.5 cm	3 ¼ in
Cap	Width around brim	29 cm	11 ½ in
	Front to back	9.5 cm	3 ¾ in
	Front to back – brim turned back	7.5 cm	3 in

Tension

7 sts = 2.5 cm (1 in)

14 rows (7 ribs) = 2.5 cm (1 in).

Coat

BACK

Using 4-ply yarn, and 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles cast on 36 sts.

Using garter st throughout, knit 52 rows (26 ribs).

Armhole shaping

At the beginning of the next two rows, cast off 3 sts.

Next row: Dec 1 st at each end of row.

Without further shaping, knit 13 rows.

Shoulders

Cast off 3 sts at beginning of next 6 rows.

Cast off remaining 18 sts.

LEFT FRONT

Cast on 30 sts and knit 52 rows in garter st (26 ribs).

**Armhole

Next row: Cast off 3 sts, knit to end of row.

Dec 1 st at the armhole edge in next 3 alternate rows.

Continue without shaping for 7 rows.

Neck shaping

Cast off 12 sts, knit to end of row.

K2 tog at neck edge in next and following 2 alt rows.

Knit 1 row.

Cast off 3 sts at beginning of next 3 alt rows. **

RIGHT FRONT

Cast on 30 sts and knit 51 rows.

Work from ** to ** as instructions of left front, to finish Right front.

SLEEVES

Commence at the top of the sleeve by casting on 8 sts, and working entirely in garter st as follows.

Knit 1 row.

Inc 1 st at the beginning of every row until you have 28 sts on the needle.

Knit 7 rows without shaping.

Dec 1 st at both ends of the needle in next and then in next 8th row.

Dec 1 st at both ends of the needle in every 6th row twice.

Work 2 rows without shaping (sleeve can be lengthened here by knitting more rows if necessary). Break off yarn.

Join in contrast (4-ply, mohair or Angora) and knit 4 rows in garter st. Cast off loosely.

Work another sleeve to match.

TO MAKE UP

Join the shoulder seams of the fronts and backs together. Sew sleeves into armholes, and then sew up side and sleeve seams.

With contrast yarn, and the right side of work towards you, pick up and knit 33 sts down front edge of left front. Knit 5 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

Repeat for right front.

With right side of work facing you, and using contrast yarn, pick up and knit 51 sts around neck edge.

Knit 5 rows in garter st.

Cast off (not too tightly).

Place one front over the other, and sew snap fasteners (press studs) in position to fasten coat. Sew three buttons on outside of edge of other front.

Leggings or pants (two pieces alike)

Commence at the waist of one leg by casting on 44 sts.

Work 4 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Ribbon holes: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

Work 3 rows in rib.

To shape back

Next row: k6, turn, knit back, always slipping the first st after turning.

Knit 12 st, turn, knit back over these 12 sts.

Knit 18 sts, turn, knit back over these 18 sts.

Continue in this way, knitting back an extra 6 sts each time until 14 sts remain at the end of the work, knit to end of row.

Continuing in garter st and working across all sts:

Next row: Inc 1 st at the long edge of work on every 6th row, until there are 49 sts on your needle.

Work 5 more rows in garter st.

Then, k2 tog at both ends of needle in next and every second row until you have 35 sts on needle.

Work 28 rows of garter st (14 ribs) without further shaping.

FOOT

Knit 23 sts, turn, knit 11 sts.

On these 11 sts, knit 11 rows (instep).

Next row: Pick up 10 sts along side of instep, knit across remaining 12 sts.

Next row: knit 33, pick up 10 sts along other side of instep, k12 (55 sts).

Knit 4 rows.

Next row: k2 tog, k23, k2 tog, k1, k2 tog, k23, k2 tog. (51 sts)

Knit 1 row.

Next row: k2 tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2 tog (49 sts).

Knit 1 row.

Next row: k2 tog, k20, k2 tog, k1, k2 tog, k20, k2 tog (45 sts).

Knit 1 row.

Next row: k2 tog, k18, k2 tog, k1, k2 tog, k18, k2 tog (41 sts).

Cast off.

Make another leg in the same way.

TO MAKE UP

Join the two short sides together to the crotch, then the two longer sides. Join from crotch to underneath of each foot. Thread either thin elastic or ribbon through holes at waist.

Cap

Using contrast yarn, cast on 72 sts and knit 8 rows in garter st. Break off yarn.

Join in 4-ply baby yarn and knit 20 rows (10 ribs) without shaping (can be extended to 30 rows [15] ribs if needed for a larger head) but knitting 2 tog at end of last row.

Crown shaping

1st row: *k7, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd and all alternate rows: knit.

3rd row: *k6, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

5th row: *k5, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

7th row: *k4, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

9th row: *k3, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

11th row: *k2, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

13th row: *k1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Break off yarn, leaving a length long enough to thread through remaining sts.

TO MAKE UP

Thread needle with yarn and draw up sts, secure firmly. Sew up the remaining side edges of cap. If desired, make a pom-pom to sew at centre top of cap.

JACK BE NIMBLE

Jack be nimble,

Jack be quick,

Jack, jump over the candlestick

Originally published in 1936, this little set is suitable for either a 35.5 cm (14 in) boy or girl doll, depending on which colour you use for the contrast for the pants, and on the jacket and cap. Knitted entirely in garter stitch, the whole outfit is quick to knit, with the jacket knitted in one piece, and ideal for dolls of all ages. By changing the sizes of the needles and the yarn used it can easily be changed to suit many sizes of dolls.

Example: 35.5 cm (14 in) doll – 3-ply yarn and 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles.

4.00 mm (8) [US 6] needles and 4-ply yarn for a larger doll (chain store 5-ply can be substituted). 3.00 mm (11) [US 3] needles and finer wool makes a dainty set for a small doll (chain store 3-ply baby wool can be used).

Note: If you are unable to purchase a good 3-ply yarn, you can use chain store 4-ply instead.

Materials

- 25 g (1 oz) of 3-ply yarn in main colour
- 25 g (1 oz) of 3-ply yarn in contrast colour
- 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] knitting needles
- 6 buttons
- 6 snap fasteners (press studs)
- Length of ribbon for waist and ankles

Measurements

Jacket	Shoulder to hem	10 cm	4 in
	Width around underarm – fastened	26 cm	10 ¼ in
	Width around hem	30.5 cm	12 in
	Length of sleeve seam	8 cm	3 in
	Length sleeve – cuff turned back	7 cm	2 ¾ in
Pants	Waist to crotch – back	11.5 cm	4 ¼ in
	Waist to crotch – front	10 cm	4 in
	Width around waist	24 cm	9 ½ in
	Outside leg to foot shaping	15 cm	6 in
	Inside leg to sole	10 cm	4 in
Cap	Around brim	26 cm	10 ¼ in
	Front to back	9.5 cm	3 ¾ in
	Front to back – brim turned back	7.5 cm	3 in

Tension

13 sts = 5 cm (2 in)

12 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in).

Jacket (knitted in one piece)**BACK**

With 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles and contrast wool, cast on 32 sts.

Work 3 rows in garter st.

Change to main colour.

Work 28 rows in garter sts. (14 ridges)

SLEEVES

Cast on 18 sts at the beginning of the next two rows. (68 sts)

Knit 22 rows in garter st.

Neck shaping

Knit 26 sts, cast off 16 sts.

** Knit on remaining sts for 6 rows. (3 ridges)

Cast on 12 sts at neck edge for the front, and knit 7 rows on these 38 sts.

*At cuff end, cast off 6 sts, knit to end of row, turn, knit one row, repeat from * twice.

Knit 28 rows on the remaining 20 sts for the front.

Break off yarn.

Join in contrast and work 3 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

Cast on wool at neck edge and work from ** for the other side of the front.

Sleeve Cuff

With wrong side facing you, and using contrast yarn, pick up and knit 18 sts along sleeve edge.

Work 5 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

With right side of front facing, and using contrast yarn, pick up and knit 48 sts evenly around neck.

Knit 3 rows. Cast off except for last st, pick up and knit 26 sts down front, work 3 rows in garter st.

Cast off. With contrast yarn, and right side of work facing, pick up and knit other front facing to match. To fasten, make three loops in contrast yarn, on one side of jacket, and sew three buttons on other side of front to match.

Pants

Using contrast colour and 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles cast on 32 sts.

Knit in k2, p2 rib for 2 rows.

Ribbon hole row: *k2, m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last 4 sts, k2, m1, k2 tog.

Continue in k2, p2 rib for 4 more rows.

Work 38 rows in garter st, increasing 1 st at beginning of every 6th row until you have 36 sts.

Note: the inc must always be at the same end of the work.

Leg shaping

Dec for the leg, (by knitting 2 tog) at the beginning of each row until there are 24 sts.

Work 20 rows in garter st.

Ribbon holes: k4, *m1, k2 tog, k2, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 2 rows in garter st.

Foot shaping

K18, turn, k12, turn.

Knit 12 rows on these 12 middle sts.

Next row: k2 tog, 6 times, leaving only 5 sts on needle.

Knit up 6 sts along side of foot.

Knit 6 sts left from leg, turn.

Knit next row until you come to other side of foot, knit up 6 sts.

Knit 6 sts remaining from leg.

There should now be 30 sts on needle.

Work 2 rows in garter st, dec a little by k2 tog at both ends of each row.

Cast off tightly.

Work another leg piece in exactly the same way.

TO MAKE UP

Sew seams together, placing long sides together for the back and short sides together for the front. Sew up leg seams and feet. You can either crochet a chain in matching colour to thread through holes at waist and feet or use matching ribbon.

Cap

Cast on 60 sts with contrast wool.

Work 18 rows in garter st.

Change to main colour and work 12 rows in garter st.

Next row: *k8, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 3 rows in garter st.

Next row: *k7, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 3 rows in garter st.

Next row: *k6, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 3 rows in garter st.

Next row: *k5, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.
Work 3 rows in garter st.

Next row: *k4, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.
Knit 1 row.

Next row: *k3 k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.
Knit 1 row.

Next row: *k2 , k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.
Knit 1 row.

Next row: k2 tog, all along row. Break off yarn, leaving an end long enough to sew up the seam.

TO MAKE UP

Thread needle and draw it through all the sts and fasten off securely, then sew up back seam of cap. If you wish a tassel or pom-pom can be made in the contrast colour and sewn to the top of the cap.

LITTLE BO-PEEP

*Little Bo-Peep has lost her sheep,
She doesn't know where to find them,
Leave them alone, and they'll come home
Dragging their tails behind them*

This outfit of dress, bonnet, booties, and panties, is ideal for baby dolls in the 41–46 cm (16–18 in) range, depending on the chubbiness of the doll. When dressed the doll is a perfect companion to Little Boy Blue. Knitted in 3-ply baby wool or yarn, the dress has a very interesting but easily made smocked effect on the bodice, and scalloped effect to the edges of the dress, bonnet and booties.

Materials

100 g (4 oz) of a good 3-ply baby wool
3.25 mm (10) [US 4] knitting needles
4 press studs (snap fasteners)
Length narrow ribbon for booties and panties
Length medium ribbon for bonnet ties

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	25 cm	10 in
	Length of skirt	17.5 cm	7 in
	Width around underarm (unstretched)	25 cm	10 in
	Stretched	30.5 cm	12 in
	Width around hem	60 cm	24 in
Bonnet	Length of sleeve seam	8 cm	3 in
	Facial length	24 cm	9 ½ in
	Length hem to crown	16 cm	6 ¼ in
	Width of turn back brim	5 cm	2 in
Booties	Top to sole	7 cm	2 ¾ in
	Length of foot	7 cm	2 ¾ in
Panties	Waist to crotch	11 cm	4 ¼ in
	Width around waist	25 cm	10 in
	Leg seam	8 cm	3 in

Tension

15 sts = 5 cm (2 in)

9 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

10 rows to pattern = multiple 6 plus 1.

Dress

FRONT

Starting at lower edge, cast on 91 sts and work as follows:

1st row: knit.

2nd row: k1, purl to last st, k1.

3rd row: knit.

4th row: k1, *m1, p2 tog, p1, repeat from * to last 3 sts, m1, p2 tog, k1 (hemline).

5th row: knit.

6th row: k1, purl to last st, k1.

7th row: knit.

8th row: k1, purl to last st, k1.

9th row: k1, *m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k3, repeat from * to end of row.

10th and alternate rows: k1, purl to last st, k1.

11th row: k4, *m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k3 repeat from * to last 3 sts, m1, k2 tog, k1.

13th row: as 9th row.

15th row: knit.

17th row: knit.

18th row: k1, purl to last st, k1.

Rows 9 to 18 form the pattern.

Repeat the last 10 rows, 5 times.

Work 10 rows in st st.

Next row: with right side facing, k2, *k2 tog, repeat from * to last 3 sts, k3. (48 sts)

Next row: k1, *p2, k2, repeat from * to last 3 sts, p2, k1.

YOKE

1st row: k1, *insert right-hand needle between 6th and 7th sts, on left-hand needle, place yarn around right-hand needle as if to knit and draw loop through to front of work, slip loop onto left-hand needle, drawing loop evenly over the 6 sts, then knit

together the loop and next st, k1, p2, k2 (makes the smock pattern), p2, repeat from * across to last 7 sts, work a smock pattern over the next 6 sts, k1. 2nd and all alternate rows: k1, *p2, k2, repeat from * to last 3 sts, p2, k1.

3rd row: k3, *p2, k2, repeat from * to last st, k1.

5th row: k3, p2, * work a smock pattern over next 6 sts, p2, repeat from * across to last 3 sts, k3.

7th row: repeat 3rd row.

8th row: k1, *p2, k2, repeat from * to last 3 sts, p2, k1.

Repeat the last 8 rows once, then repeat 1st and 2nd rows once more.

Neck shaping

Next row: Work in pattern across 16 sts, cast off 16 sts in rib, work in pattern over the last 16 sts.

Continue to work in pattern on the last 16 sts, for 8 rows, cast off.

Join wool to opposite side of neck edge, and work other side of front to correspond.

BACK

Work as for front until 16 rows of yoke pattern have been completed, then repeat the 1st to 6th rows inc once more. Shape neck by working 16 sts, cast off 16 sts, work 16 sts.

Work 4 rows on the last 16 sts.

Cast off.

Work other side of back to correspond.

SLEEVES

Starting at lower edge, cast on 25 sts.

Work the first 7 rows as given for front.

8th row: k1, p2, inc 1 st in each of the next 18 sts, p3, k1 (43 sts).

Repeat 9th to 18th row pattern as given for the front.

Top shaping

1st row: (k2 tog) twice, m1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 3 sts, k1, k2 tog.

2nd and all alternate rows: k1, purl to last st, k1.

3rd row: k2 tog, k1, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, *k3,

m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 5 sts, k3, k2 tog.

5th row: k2 tog, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 7 sts, k3, m1, (k2 tog) twice.

7th row: k2 tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2 tog.

9th row: repeat 7th row.

11th row: k2 tog, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 4 sts, k2, k2 tog.

13th row: k2 tog, k2, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 6 sts, k4, k2 tog.

15th row: k2 tog, k1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2 tog.

17th row: repeat 7th row. (25 sts.)

18th row: k1, (p2 tog) 12 times.

Cast off.

Make another sleeve the same.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up shoulder seams for 1 cm (1/4 in) set in sleeves, you may have to gather top of sleeve slightly, sew up sleeve and side seams. Turn up hems of sleeves and dress to wrong side and sew in place (whole row forms a picot-type hem) You may like to work a row of picot around neck as follows:

*1 dc, miss 1 st, 1 dc, 3 ch, 1 dc into same dc, miss 1 st, repeat from * around neck.

Make a buttonhole on each back shoulder, and sew a small button on each front shoulder to match. Sew the snap fasteners up the back.

Bonnet

Starting at front of cuff, cast on 73 sts and work 10 rows of pattern as given for front, twice, then the first 8 rows of pattern once.

Work in k1, p1 rib for 15 rows.

Work 4 rows of st st starting with a knit row.

(The right side of work has now been reversed for the crown of the bonnet.)

Starting with the 9th row of pattern, work in pattern for 10 rows, but k2 tog at end of last row.

Crown shaping

1st row: *k7, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd and all alternate rows: Knit.

3rd row: *k6, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

5th row: *k5, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Continue to work in this manner decreasing 8 sts on every other row until 24 sts remain.

Next row: knit.

Next row *k2 tog, repeat to end of row.

Break off wool, leaving a length that is long enough to thread through a needle and slip through remaining sts. Draw up tightly and fasten off securely.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back seam to start of shaping.

Turn back hem and sew in place, fold brim of bonnet over ribbing, and catch down at neck edge. Sew ribbons to each side of bonnet.

Bootees

Starting at top, cast on 31 sts, and work as follows:

1st row: knit.

2nd row: k1, purl to last st, k1.

3rd row: knit.

4th row: k1, *m1, p 2 tog, p1, repeat from * to last 3 sts, m1, k2 tog, k1.

5th to 8th rows: repeat 1st and 2nd rows twice.

9th row: k1, *m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k3, repeat from * to end of row.

10th row: k1, purl to last st, k1.

11th row: k4, *m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k3, repeat from * to last 3 sts, m1, k2 tog, k1.

12th row: repeat 10th row.

Repeat 9th and 10th row once, then repeat 1st and 2nd row once.

Ribbon hole row: *k1, m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 3 rows in st st starting with a purl row.

Instep shaping

1st row: knit 21 sts, turn.

2nd row: k11, turn.

Work 13 rows of garter st over these 11 sts.

Next row: pick up and knit 7 sts along side edge of instep, knit the remaining 10 sts.

Next row: k28, pick up and knit 7 sts, along other side of instep, knit last 10 sts (45 sts).

Work 12 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back and sole seam. Turn hem on wrong side and sew in place, turn down cuff. Thread ribbon through ribbon holes.

Panties

BACK

Cast on 38 sts loosely for waist edge.

Work 2 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, p1.

Work 3 rows in rib.

Continue in st st and work 16 rows.

Dec at both ends of next 16 rows **.

Work 2 rows on remaining 6 sts (the number of rows can be increased here if necessary).

Cast off.

FRONT

Work as back to **.

Cast off 3 sts at beginning of next 8 rows, then dec at both ends of needle in next 4 alternate rows.

Work 4 rows on remaining 6 sts.

Cast off.

LEG BORDERS (BOTH ALIKE)

Join side seams. With right side of work facing, pick up and k48 sts along edge of leg opening.

Work 3 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Cast off.

Sew up side seams.

LITTLE BOY BLUE

*Little Boy Blue,
Come blow your horn,
The cow's in the meadow,
The sheep's in the corn*

This little three-piece outfit, first published by Patons before 1950, is ideal for either a 41 cm (16 in) girl or boy doll, depending on colour used. I have added a collar to the jacket and fancy edgings to the two fronts. Besides the bonnet suitable mainly for a girl doll, I have included instructions for a more boy-like beret. The leggings are knitted in garter stitch and are knitted as one piece. Knitted in 3-ply baby wool, the outfit is ideal for any hard plastic doll of the 1950s to 1960s era, but will look equally well on a doll of later or earlier age.

Materials

100 g (4 oz) 3-ply wool or yarn.
3.25 mm (10) [US 4] knitting needles
1 medium crochet hook 3 mm (10) [D/3]
3 snap fasteners
3 buttons

Measurements

Jacket	Shoulder to hem	14.5 cm	5 ¾ in
	Width around underarm	30.5 cm	12 in
	Width around hem	46 cm	18 in
	Length sleeve seam	11.5 cm	4 ½ in
Leggings	Waist to crotch – back	13 cm	5 in
	Waist to crotch – front	11 cm	4 ¼ in
	Width around waist	25 cm	10 in
	Leg seam – outside to foot shaping	21.5 cm	8 ½ in
Bonnet	Leg seam – inside to sole of foot	12.5 cm	5 in
	Facial measurement	23 cm	9 in
	Front to back	15 cm	6 in
	Front to back – brim turned back	10 cm	4 in
Beret	Width around brim	15 cm	10 in
	Front to back	11 cm	4 ¼ in

Tension

17 sts = 5 cm (2 in) over garter st

14 rows garter st = 2.5 cm (1 in).

Jacket (worked in one piece to armholes)

Cast on 145 sts.

1st row: knit.

2nd row: k1, purl to last st, k1.

3rd row: Knit.

4th row: K1, *m1, p 2 tog, p1, repeat from * to last 3 sts, m1 p2 tog, k1.

5th row: repeat the 1st row.

6th row: repeat the 2nd row.

7th row: repeat the 1st row.

8th row: repeat the 2nd row (these rows when folded over, form the picot edged hem).

**9th row: k1, *m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k 3, repeat from * to end of row.

10th row: k1, purl to last st, k1.

11th row: k4, *m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k3, repeat from * to last 3 sts, m1, k2 tog, k1.

12th row: repeat 10th row:

Repeat the 9th and 10th rows once.

Repeat the 1st and 2nd rows twice** (the last 10 rows form the pattern).

Repeat pattern 3 times (30 rows).

Next row: k1, *k2 tog, rep from * to end of row. (73 sts on needle)

LEFT FRONT

1st row: k20 turn (leaving remaining sts on spare needle).

Work 19 rows in garter st ending at front edge.

Cast off 9 sts for neck and work 11 rows of garter st on remaining 11 sts.

Cast off.

BACK

With wrong side of work facing, join in wool to remaining sts and k33, turn.

Work 30 rows of garter sts on these 33 sts.

Cast off.

RIGHT FRONT

With wrong side of work facing join in wool to remaining 20 sts.

Work 20 rows in garter st ending at front edge.

Cast off 9 sts for neck and work 10 rows of garter st on remaining 11 sts.

Cast off.

SLEEVES

Cast on 37 sts and work the 1st to 4th rows as given for the jacket.

Repeat 1st and 2nd rows twice, then repeat the pattern from ** to ** 4 times (or length desired).

To shape the top of sleeve:

1st row: (k2 tog) twice, m1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 3 sts, k1 k2 tog.

2nd and alternate rows: k1, purl to last st, k1.

3rd row: k2 tog, k1, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 5 sts, k3, k2 tog.

5th row: k2 tog, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1 repeat from * to last 7 sts, k3, m1, (k2 tog) twice.

7th row: k2 tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2 tog.

9th row: as 7th row.

11th row: k2 tog, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, *k3 m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 4 sts, k2, k2 tog.

13th row: k2 tog, k2, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 6 sts, k4, k2 tog.

15th row: k2 tog, k1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2 tog.

17th row: as 7th row (19 sts on needle).

Cast off purlways.

Work another sleeve the same way.

COLLAR

Cast on 50 sts, and knit 20 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up shoulder seams and sleeve seams. Turn under and sew hems in position. Sew in sleeves. Sew collar onto neck, easing into position.

FRONT EDGES

To work edging on Right Front:

With right side of work facing, pick up and knit 28 sts along edge of pattern sts and 12 sts along garter st edge. Starting with a purl row, work the 2nd to 8th rows at start of jacket. Cast off loosely.

Left front

With right side of work facing, pick up and knit 12 sts along garter st edge and 28 sts along pattern edge, then work 2nd to 8th rows as per other front edge.

Leggings (worked in one piece from the waist)

Cast on 102 sts.

1st row: k2 *p1, k1, rep from * to end of row.

Repeat 1st row twice.

4th row: k2, * m1, k2 tog, rep from * to end of row.

Repeat 1st row 4 times.

Knit 1 row.

To shape back

1st row: k62, turn.

2nd row: k22, turn.

3rd row: k32, turn.

4th row: k42, turn.

5th row: k52, turn.

6th row: k62, turn.

7th row: k72, turn.

8th row: k 82, turn.

9th row: k 92, turn.

10th row: knit to end of row.

Work 28 rows straight in garter sts.

1st row: k49, inc in next st, k1, inc in next st, k50.

Knit 3 rows in garter st.

5th row: k49, inc in next st, k3, inc in next st, k50.

Knit 3 rows in garter st.

9th row: k49, inc in next st, k5, inc in next st, k50.

Knit 3 rows in garter st.

13th row: k49, inc in next st, k7, inc in next st, k50.
(110 sts on needle)

Knit 7 rows in garter st.

Leg shaping

1st Leg: k55, turn, (leave remaining 55 sts on spare needle).

Continuing in garter st, on these 55 sts, dec 1 st each end of needle in the next and every following 6th row until there are 35 sts on needle.

Work 2 rows straight in garter sts ending at the outside edge.

FOOT

1st row: k16, turn.

2nd row: k12, turn.

Work 12 rows in garter st on these 12 sts (toe flap).

Next row: Pick up and knit 6 sts along side edge of toe flap. Knit remaining 4 sts.

Next row: k22, pick up and knit 6 sts along other side of toe flap. Knit remaining 19 sts (47 sts).

Knit 12 rows in garter sts.

Cast off tightly.

2nd leg: Join wool to remaining 55 sts, and work to correspond to 1st leg until 35 sts on needle.

Knit 1 row, ending at outside edge.

Work foot as given for 1st leg.

TO MAKE UP

Lightly press as per instructions at front of book.
Sew up front seam and leg seams. Thread elastic or ribbon through holes at waist.

Bonnet

Work as given for bonnet in Little Bo-Peep.

Beret

Cast on 72 sts.

Work 6 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Knit 6 rows in st st.

1st row: *k10, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd and all alternate rows: purl.

3rd row: *k9, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

5th row: *k8, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

11th row: *k7, k2, tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Continuing in st st, work 1 st less in each dec row till k1, k2 tog row. Break off yarn, and thread needle and thread through remaining sts, draw up tightly, and end off securely. Sew up side seam of beret. If you wish you may make a pom-pom and sew it in centre at top of beret.

LITTLE MISS MUFFET

*Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet,
Eating her curds and whey
Down came a spider, who sat down beside her,
And frightened Miss Muffet away*

This lovely little set consists of dress, bonnet, booties and panties. With its four row pattern used throughout, it is quite quick to knit. Originally designed in the 1930s for celluloid or composition (made of different materials, such as sawdust and glue, papier maché and glue, clay/latex mixture) dolls, it will suit chubby 36 cm (14 in) boy or girl baby dolls of all ages from yesteryear to today, depending on which colour you choose.

Materials

- 50 g (2 oz) 3-ply baby wool
- 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] knitting needles
- 2 snap fasteners
- 2 m (approx 2 yd) fine ribbon

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	19 cm	7 ½ in
	Length of skirt	12.5 cm	5 in
	Width around underarm	36 cm	14 in
	Width around hem	38 cm	15 in
	Length of sleeve seam	5 cm	2 in
Bonnet	Facial measurement	18 cm	7 in
	Front to back	8.5 cm	3 ¼ in
Bootees	Top to sole	3.5 cm	1 ¼ in
	Length of foot	5 cm	2 in
Panties	Waist to crotch	11 cm	4 ¼ in
	Width around waist	22.5 cm	9 in
	Length of leg seam	7 cm	2 ¾ in

Tension

- 1 pattern in width = 2.5 cm (1 in)
- 2 patterns in depth = 2.5 cm (1 in)
- 4 rows to pattern, multiple of 9 plus 1.

Dress (front and back bodice worked in one)

With 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles cast on 64 sts.

Work 4 rows of moss st, then work in pattern as follows:

1st row: k1, *m1, k2, k2 tog, k2 tog, k2, m1, k1, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd row: purl.

3rd row: repeat 1st row.

4th row: knit.

Repeat the last 4 rows 9 times.

Next row: *k2, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row. (48 sts)

RIBBON HOLES

Slip first stitch, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

Next row: knit.

Work 8 rows in moss st.

SLEEVES

Cast on 12 sts at beginning of next two rows, and still working in ms work 8 rows. (72 sts)

NECK

Next row: Continuing in ms, work 28 sts, cast off 16 sts, work 28 sts.

Working on the last 28 sts only, work 15 rows ms.

Cast on 10 sts on next row at neck end, and work 8 rows on these 38 sts.

Cast off 12 sts at sleeve end of next row.

Work 8 rows on 26 sts.

Cast off.

Work another shoulder and back to correspond.

Cast off.

DRESS BACK

Work back of dress like front, BUT casting off after making the ribbon holes.

TO MAKE UP

Join back of the skirt to the back of the bodice, sew up sides and finish back opening with snap fasteners. Thread ribbon through holes. If you wish work a row of crochet with matching yarn or silk around neck and sleeves as follows:

*1 dc, 3 ch, 1 dc in same st, miss 1, repeat from *.

Bonnet

Cast on 64 sts, and knit 2 rows in garter st.

Work five complete patterns as given for dress, remembering to inc 1 st at each end of 20th row (66 sts).

1st rows: *knit 9, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd and all alternate rows: Knit.

3rd row: *k7, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

5th row: *k6, k2 tog, repeat to end of row.

7th row: *k5, k2 tog, repeat to end of row.

9th row: *k4, k2 tog, repeat to end of row.

11th row: *k3, k2 tog, repeat to end of row.

13th row: *k2, k2 tog, repeat to end of row.

15th row: *k1, k2 tog, leaving a 30 cm (12 in) length of yarn, break off, and thread this through a darning needle, and run through all the stitches left on needle, draw together, and fasten off securely.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up the crown (garter st decrease section), and add ribbons to the two front ends.

Bootees

These are more like little shoes, and are worked from bottom to top.

Cast on 20 sts, and knit one row in garter st.

2nd row: k9, inc in next 2 sts, k9.

3rd row: knit (22 sts).

4th row: k9, inc in each next four sts, k9.

5th row: knit (26 sts).

6th row: k11, inc in each next four sts, k11 (30 sts).

7th - 10th rows: knit.

11th row: k11, *slip, k6, k2 tog, turn*.

Repeat from * to * 6 times, the last time, knitting to end of row.

Knit 2 rows across all stitches.

Make a row of ribbon holes as per dress.

Knit 2 rows.

Cast off.

Make another bootie the same.

TO MAKE UP

Work a row around top of bootie either in matching silk or yarn as follows:

*1 dc, 3 ch, 1 dc in same stitch, miss 1, repeat from *.

Finish off by threading ribbon through holes.

Panties (worked in one piece)

Cast on 36 sts, and work in k1, p1, for four rows.

Make a row of ribbon holes.

Work 4 rows in rib pattern, increasing 1 st in last row.

Work 4 patterns as given for dress.

Working in ms, k2 tog at each end of every second row, till 21 sts remain.

Work 6 rows in ms.

Still working in ms, inc 1 st at both ends of every second row until you have 35 sts.

Work one row.

Inc at beg of next row only. (36 sts)

Work 4 patterns as given for dress.

Work 4 rows of rib.

Make a row of ribbon holes.

Work 3 rows of rib.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up sides from top to where ms starts. If you wish you may like to work a row of crochet as already given around each leg. Thread ribbon through holes.

MARY, MARY, QUITE CONTRARY

*Mary, Mary, quite contrary,
How does your garden grow?
Silver bells and cockle-shells,
And pretty maids all in a row*

The delicately scalloped edging that is an integral part of the design of this lovely layette for a 38 cm (15 in) baby doll reminds me of the garden path edgings often drawn in the illustrations for the nursery rhyme of the same name. The complete layette consists of singlet, pants (modesties), dress, matinee coat, bonnet and booties. It is a corrected pattern that was printed in the Australian *New Idea* in December 1936. Besides the scalloped edging, there is a very interesting knitted smocking effect on the yoke of the matinee coat, which complements the easy-to-do, four row lacy pattern.

Materials

100 g (4 oz) 3-ply baby wool or yarn
3.00 mm 11 [US 3] needles
4 m (approx 4 yd) suitable baby ribbon
2 small matching buttons (for the dress)
1 medium crochet hook 3 mm (11) [D/3]

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	24 cm	9 ½ in
	Length of skirt	13.5 cm	5 ¼ in
	Width around underarm	30.5 cm	12 in
	Width around hem	61 cm	24 in
	Length sleeve seam	4 cm	1 ½ in
Bonnet	Facial measurements	20 cm	8 in
	Front to back	11 cm	4 ¼ in
Bootees	Top to sole	6.5 cm	2 ½ in
	Length of foot	7 cm	2 ¾ in
Matinee coat	Shoulder to hem	15 cm	6 in
	Width around underarm	30.5 cm	12 in
	Width around hem	38 cm	15 in
	Length sleeve seam	10 cm	4 in
Pants	Waist to crotch	11.5 cm	4 ½ in

	Width around waist	24 cm	9 ½ in
	Leg seam (inc. bands)	9.5 cm	3 ¾ in
Singlet	Shoulder to hem	17 cm	6 ¾ in
	Width around underarm	24 cm	9 ½ in

Tension

17 sts = 5 cm (2 in) over st st

10 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

4 rows to pattern.

Drop Stitch Pattern (ds-pat)

1st row: k1, *m1, k1, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd row: p1, *drop the m1 st of previous row off the needle, p1 (the next st on the needle), repeat from * to end of row.

3rd row: knit.

4th row: purl.

Dress

FRONT

Commence at lower edge of front by casting on 100 sts.

Work 5 rows in garter st.

6th row: (scallop row): k4, * now pick up the stitch immediately below the 5th sts on the 1st row, place this stitch on the left-hand needle, and then knit this stitch together with the next original st, k9, repeat from * to last 5 stitches, k5.

7th row: purl.

8th row: knit.

9th row: purl.

Work the four rows of the ds-pat 3 times (12 rows).

Starting with a knit row, work 36 rows in st st (waist).

Next row: k2 tog all across row (50 sts).

Starting with a purl row work 3 rows in st st.

Work the four rows of the ds-pat, 3 times (12 rows) (finishing with a purl row).

Armhole shaping

1st row: Cast off 3 sts, k1, *m1, k1, repeat to end of row.

2nd row: Cast off 3 sts, but carefully dropping the m1 sts in between before casting off. Purl to end of row.

3rd row: k2 tog at each end of row.

4th row: Purl.

5th row: k 2 tog, k1 *m1, k1, repeat from * to last 2 sts, k 2 tog.

6th row: Purl.

7th row: as 3rd row.

8th row: Purl.

Continue in ds-pat, until 6 ds-pat have been worked from the waist.

Next row: k1, *m1 k1, repeat from * 10 times (12 sts plus the m1 sts). Cast off 14 sts. Knit the remain sts in pattern.

Keeping to the ds-pat as set, work 5 rows on these last 12 sts.

Cast off.

Work the other shoulder to correspond.

BACK

Work exactly the same as the front of the dress.

SLEEVES

Cast on 30 sts.

Knit 5 rows in garter st.

Next row: k4, * pick up the 5th st of 1st row, and knit it together with the 5th st in this row, k4, repeat from * to end of row.

Next row: *p1, p2 into next stitch, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 2 rows in st st.

Work 2 repeats of ds-pat. (8 rows)

Armhole shaping

****1st row:** k2 tog, * k1, m1, repeat to last 3 sts, k1, k2 tog.

2nd row: p2 tog, purl to last 2 sts, p2 tog.

3rd row: k2 tog, knit to last 2 sts, k2 tog.

4th row: p2 tog, purl to last 2 sts, p2 tog. ******

Continue decreasing in pattern until 27 sts remain.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up shoulder seam for 1 cm (1/4 in) on armhole side. Leave remainder of shoulder seams open. Sew in sleeves, then sew up sleeve and side seams. Work a row of double crochet (US single crochet) around neck and across shoulders, making a loop on each front shoulder, at the neck edge, for a buttonhole. Sew a button on each back shoulder to match buttonholes. Thread ribbon through holes in 1st open pattern row of bodice. If you wish you may thread a matching ribbon through the middle open pattern row in the skirt.

Bonnet

Cast on 60 stitches and work 5 rows in garter st.

Next row: k4, *pick up the stitch, in the 1st row, immediately below the 5th st, place this on left-hand needle, and then knit this and the next st tog, k9, repeat to end of row (working 5 sts only at end).

Work 2 rows in sts st.

Work the 4 rows of ds-pat, 6 times. (24 rows)

Next row: *k8, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Next row: purl.

Next row: *k7, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Next row: purl.

Continue decreasing, working 1 st less between k2 tog, on each alternate row, until 12 sts remain.

Break off wool or yarn, and thread through remaining 12 sts. Draw up and fasten off securely, then stitch down from this crown, to pattern rows. Fasten off.

TO MAKE UP

Work a row of double crochet (US single crochet) around neck edge only. Sew on ribbon ties at each front edge.

Bootees

Cast on 35 sts, and work 5 rows in garter st.

Next row: k4 *pick up the 5th st of 1st row, and knit it together with the 5th st of this row, k4, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 2 rows in st st starting with a knit row.

Work the four rows of the ds-pat twice (8 rows).

Work 2 rows in st st.

Next row (ribbon hole row): k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Next row: purl.

Next row: k23, turn, purl 11 (instep).

Work 9 rows in st st on these 11 sts.

Next row: pick up, and k8 sts down the side of the instep and knit across the remaining 12 sts.

Next row: purl 31 sts, pick up and purl 8 sts, down side of instep, purl remaining 12 sts (51 sts).

Work 2 rows in garter st.

Next row: k2 tog, k22, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k22, k2 tog.

Next row: knit.

Next row: k2 tog, k20, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k20, k2 tog.

Knit 3 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back seam and underfoot. Thread a length of ribbon through ribbon holes.

Matinee coat (knitted in one piece to armhole)

Cast on 110 sts and work 5 rows in garter st.

Next row: k9, *pick up 10th st of 1st row, and knit it together with 10th st in this row, k9, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 2 rows in st st.

Work the four rows of the ds-pat 6 times (24 rows).

Work 2 rows in st st.

Armhole shaping

Next row: k24, cast off 7 sts, k48, cast off 7 sts, k24.

LEFT FRONT

Working on these 24 sts, work the smocking pattern as follows:

1st row: p2, *k2, p4, repeat from * to last 4 sts, k2, p2.

2nd row: k2, *sl 2, k4, repeat from * to last 4 sts, sl 2, k2.

3rd row: p2, *sl 2, p4, repeat from * to last 4 sts, sl 2, p2.

4th row: same as 2nd row.

5th row: k1, p4, *k2, p4, repeat from * to last st, k1.

6th row: slip 1, k4, *sl 2, k4, repeat from * to end of row, sl 1.

7th row: slip 1, p4, *sl 2, p4 repeat from * to end of row, sl 1.

8th row: Same as 6th row.

Repeat rows 1 to 4.

Work 10 rows in st st.

At neck edge cast off 12 sts.

Work 4 rows in sts on remaining 12 sts.

Cast off.

BACK

Join in yarn to 48 sts and work the 12 rows of smocking as per the left front.

Work 15 rows in st st.

Cast off.

RIGHT FRONT

Work as per left front, working 12 rows in smocking stitch, and then 11 rows in st st.

Cast off 12 sts at neck edge, and then work 4 rows in st st.

Cast off.

SLEEVES

Cast on 30 sts and work 5 rows in garter st.

Next row: k4*, pick up the 5th st of 1st row, and knit it together with 5th st in this row, k4, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 2 rows in st st.

Work the 4 rows of ds-pat, 7 times. (28 rows)

Armhole shaping

Work as ** to ** on dress sleeves, until 15 sts remain.

Cast off.

Work another sleeve to match.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up shoulder and sleeve seams. Sew in sleeves. With right side of work facing, pick up 50 sts down each front, and work 5 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

When casting off, pick up every 10th st of 1st row, and knit at the same time 10th st in this row.

Around neck work in crochet as follows:

1st row: Working evenly around neck to make ribbon holes:

6 ch, 1 tr, * 3 ch, 1 tr, repeat around neck edge.

2nd row: 1 dc, 2 tr, 1 dc in each space.

OR, pick up stitches evenly around neck and work scalloped edge same as down front of jacket, and tie with ribbon at front edge.

Singlet (worked in one piece)

Cast on 40 sts and work 5 rows in garter st.

Work 1 purl row, 1 knit row, 1 purl row.

Work the four rows of ds-pat once.

Work 36 rows in st st.

Work the four rows of ds-pat once.

Work 2 rows in sts.

YOKE

Work 6 rows in garter st.

Next row: k10, cast off 20 sts, k10.

On these last 10 sts, work 37 rows.

Break off wool, and work other shoulder to correspond.

Next row: k10, cast on 20 sts, k10.

Work 5 rows in garter sts.

Then work back to correspond with front.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up sides of singlet. Work in crochet around neck as follows:

1st row: Work evenly around to make ribbon holes:

6 ch, 1 tr, *3 ch, 1 tr, repeat from * to end.

2nd row: 1 dc, 2 tr, 1 dc in each space.

Thread a length of ribbon through holes, tying in a bow at front.

Pants (modesties) (worked in one piece)

Beginning at back waist, cast on 46 sts and knit 3 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Next row: (ribbon holes) k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row, p1.

Work 4 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Back shaping

1st row: knit 38 sts, turn.

2nd row: purl 30 sts, turn.

3rd row: knit 26 sts, turn.

4th row: purl 22 sts, turn.

5th row: knit 18 sts, turn.

6th row: purl 14 sts, turn.

7th row: knit to end of row.

Work 25 rows in st st starting with a purl row.

Cast off 2 sts at beginning of every row until 14 sts are left.

Cast on 2 sts at beginning of every row until you have 46 sts again.

Work 26 rows in st st.

Work 4 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Work a row of ribbon holes as start of back.

Work 3 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Pick up 36 sts evenly around each leg and knit 5 rows in garter st. Cast off. Sew up sides of pants, and thread a length of ribbon through ribbon holes and tie at front in a bow.

ONE, TWO, BUCKLE MY SHOE

*One, two, buckle my shoe,
Three, four, knock at the door,
Five, six, pick up sticks,
Seven, eight, lay them straight*

This little outfit of dress, panties, pixie style bonnet, booties and cape was designed in 1939. It was originally a christening dress and long cape, suitable for a 36–38 cm (14–15 in) (depending on the chubbiness), celluloid or composition baby doll. The length of both the dress and cape can be shortened or lengthened to suit your own requirements. The outfit can be made all in one colour or contrasting colours, with or without the cape.

Materials

- 75 g (3 oz) of 2-ply yarn (cheaper brand of 3-ply baby yarn will substitute) in main colour for dress, panties and booties
- 75 g (3 oz) of 3-ply yarn in white for cape, bonnet and panties
- 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] knitting needles
- 1 m (approx 1 yd) fine matching ribbon for dress, panties and booties
- 50 cm (approx ½ yd) fine matching ribbon for cape
- 50 cm (approx ½ yd) medium matching ribbon for bonnet ties
- Snap fasteners for back of dress

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	30 cm	12 in
	Length of skirt	25 cm	10 in
	Width around underarm	32 cm	12 ½ in
	Width around hem	49.5 cm	19 ½ in
	Length of sleeve seam	6 cm	2 ¼ in
Bonnet	Face edge	20 cm	8 in
	Front to back	10 cm	4 in
Bootees	Top to sole	6 cm	2 ¼ in
	Length of foot	6.5 cm	2 ½ in
Panties	Waist to crotch	11 cm	4 ¼ in
	Width around waist	24 cm	9 ½ in
	Leg seam	5.5 cm	2 in

Cape	Shoulder to hem	18 cm	7 in
	Width around neck edge	26.5 cm	10 1/2 in
	Width at hem	42 cm	16 1/2 in

Tension

2-ply - 15 sts = 5 cm (2 in) (when pressed)

10 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

3-ply - 7 sts = 2.5 cm (1 in)

9 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

12 rows to pattern, multiple of 11 plus.

Dress

FRONT

Using 2-ply (or chain store 3-ply yarn) throughout and 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles, cast on 71 sts and work in pattern as follows:

1st row: sl 1, k1, p2 tog, *k2, wl fwd, k1, wl fwd, k5, p3 tog, rep from * to last 4 sts, p2 tog, k2.

2nd and every alternate row: sl 1, k1, purl to last 2 sts, k2.

3rd row: sl 1, k1, p2 tog, *k1, wl fwd, k3, wl fwd, k4, p3 tog, rep from * to last 4 sts, p2 tog, k2.

5th row: sl 1, k1, p2 tog, *wl fwd, k5, wl fwd, k3, p3 tog, rep from * to last 4 sts, p2 tog, k2.

7th row: sl 1, k1, p2 tog, *k5, wl fwd, k1, wl fwd, k2, p3 tog, repeat from * to last 4 sts, p2 tog, k2.

9th row: sl 1, k1, p2 tog, *k4, wl fwd, k3, wl fwd, k1, p3 tog, repeat from * to last 4 sts, p2 tog, k2.

11th row: sl 1, k1, p2 tog, *k3, wl fwd, k5, wrn, p3 tog, repeat from * to last 4 sts, wrn, p2 tog, k2.

12th row: as 2nd row.

These 12 rows form the pattern.

Work 8 patterns.

Decrease row: k1, (k3 tog, k2) fourteen times (43 sts). **

Work 3 rows in garter st.

Armhole shaping

Continue in st st and shape armholes by casting off 3 sts, at beg of next 2 rows, and then dec. at each

end of next 5 rows (27 sts).

Work 11 rows in st st.

Neck shaping

Knit 10 sts, cast off 7 sts, knit 10 sts.

Work 7 rows in st st on these last 10 sts.

Cast off.

Rejoin yarn to neck edge and work other side to match.

BACK

Work as for front until **.

Next row: k20 sts, k2 tog, divide and leave remaining 21 sts on another needle.

Work 2 rows in garter sts on remaining 21 sts.

Armhole shaping

Cast off 3 sts at armhole edge and dec at same edge on next 5 rows (13 sts).

Work 11 rows in st st.

Neck shaping

Cast off 4 sts at centre edge, and then dec at same edge on next 3 rows (6 sts).

Continue without further shaping for 8 rows.

Cast off.

Rejoin yarn to remaining sts and work other side to match.

SLEEVES

Cast on 27 sts and work in garter st for 2 rows.

Ribbon holes: k1 *(k2 tog, wl fwd, k1) repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2 (27 sts).

Purl 1 row.

Next row: k3, (knit twice into next and every alternate sts) 11 times, k2 (38 sts).

Next row: sl 1, k1, purl to last 2 sts, k2.

Continue in pattern for two full patterns, then dec 1 st at beginning of next 8 rows.

Cast off.

Work another sleeve to match.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up shoulder seams, sew sleeves in place, and sew up sleeve and side seams. Sew two tiny buttons down one side of back, and they should go through between stitches on other side.

Thread ribbon through ribbon holes at end of sleeves.

Bonnet (Pixie style)

Using 3-ply wool and 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles cast on 60 sts.

Work 4 rows in garter st.

Work 2 patterns as given for dress.

Work 14 rows in st st.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Fold the bonnet in half and sew together the cast off edges. Sew ribbons at both front edges.

Bootees

With 2-ply wool and 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles, cast on 26 sts.

Work 5 rows in garter st.

Work 6 rows in st st.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, p1.

Work 3 rows in st st.

Instep shaping

Knit 17, turn, k8.

On these last 8 sts, work 11 rows in garter sts.

Next row: pick up and knit 7 sts along instep, k9 to end of needle.

Next row: k24, pick up 7 sts along other side of instep, knit remaining 9 sts. (40 sts)

Work 6 rows in garter st.

Next row: k3 tog, k14, (k3 tog) twice, k14, k3 tog.

Knit 1 row.

Next row: k3 tog, k10, (k3 tog) twice, k10, k3 tog.

Knit 1 row.

Cast off.

Make another bootie the same.

TO MAKE UP

Join side and bottom seams, and thread ribbon through ribbon holes at ankle.

Cape

I have made this a short cape, but it can easily be lengthened to the length of the dress.

With 3-ply wool and 3.25 mm (10) [US 4] needles, cast on 130 sts.

Work 4 rows in garter st.

1st row: sl 1, k3, p2 tog, *k2, w1 fwd, k1, w1 fwd, k5, p3 tog, rep. from * to last 6 sts, p2 tog, k4.

2nd and all alternate rows: sl 1, k3, purl to last 4 sts, k4.

3rd row: sl 1, k3, p2 tog, *k1, w1 fwd, k3, w1 fwd, k4, p3 tog, repeat from * to last 6 sts, p2 tog, k4.

5th row: sl 1, k3, p2 tog, *w1 fwd, k5, w1 fwd, k3, p3 tog, repeat from * to last 6 sts, p2 tog, k4.

7th row: sl 1, k3, p2 tog, *k5, w1 fwd, k1, w1 fwd, k2, p3 tog, repeat from * to last 6 sts, p2 tog, k4.

9th row: sl 1, k3, p2 tog, *k4, w1 fwd, k3, w1 fwd, k1, p3 tog, repeat from * to last 6 sts, p2 tog, k4.

11th row: sl 1, k3, p2 tog, *k3, w1 fwd, k5, wrn, p3 tog, repeat from * to last 6 sts, wrn, p2 tog, k4.

12th row: as 2nd row.

Repeat the last 12 rows of pattern once, then from rows 1-6 inclusive.

Next row: Continue working in pattern, but only working across the sts of the first two full patterns, then knit (without pattern) to the start of the last two patterns, work these sts as per pattern.

Next and all alternate rows: k4, p23, k2, p72, k2, p23, k4.

Continue as now set until you have worked four complete patterns (48 rows) of pattern at both sides of cloak. (You may lengthen cape here by working more rows to suit).

Shoulder shaping

Keeping pattern correct at right edge, decrease over the plain fabric only *k7, k2 tog, repeat to beginning of pattern at left-hand edge, complete pattern.

2nd row: k4, p23, k2, p64, k2, p23, k4.

3rd row: decreasing over plain fabric only:

*k6, k2 tog, repeat.

4th row: k4, p23, k2, p56, k2, p23, k4.

5th row: decreasing over plain fabric only:

*k5, k2 tog, repeat.

6th row: k4, p23, k2, p48, k2, p23, k4.

Next row: k3, k2 tog, *k 4, k2 tog, repeat to last 5 sts, k5.

Next row: k4, purl to last 4 sts, k4.

Next row: k2, k2 tog, *k3, k2 tog, repeat from * to end.

Next row: k3, purl to last 3 sts, k2.

Ribbon hole row: k2, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st, k1.

Work 4 rows in garter st.

Cast off.

Thread ribbon through ribbon holes and tie in a bow.

POLLY PUT THE KETTLE ON

*Polly, put the kettle on,
Polly, put the kettle on,
Polly, put the kettle on,
And we'll all have tea*

A lovely little set, knitted in 2-ply, consisting of dress, bonnet, booties and pilchers (panties) has been adapted from a 1933 pattern. Although it was designed over 60 years ago it is suitable for any 30.5 cm (12 in) baby doll, whether it has a bisque (china) head, or is a composition, celluloid, hard plastic or even perhaps a modern vinyl doll.

Materials

50 g (2 oz) 2-ply wool (chain store 3-ply baby yarn may be substituted)

2.75 mm (12) [US 2] knitting needles

1.5 m (approx 1½ yd) baby ribbon to suit

1.5 m (approx 1½ yd) narrow baby ribbon

Crochet hook 2 mm (11/12) [C/2]

Tiny buttons or beads to close shoulders

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	15 cm	6 in
	Length of skirt	9 cm	3 ½ in
	Width around underarm	20 cm	8 in
	Width around hem	45 cm	17 ¾ in
	Sleeve seam	4 cm	1 ½ in
Bonnet	Facial measurement	17 cm	6 ¾ in
	Front to back	7.5 cm	3 in
Booties	top to bottom	5 cm	2 in
	Length of foot	5 cm	2 in
Panties	Waist to crotch	8 cm	3 in
	Width around waist	21.5 cm	8 ½ in
	Length of leg seam	7.5 cm	3 in

Tension

17sts = 5 cm (2 in) over st st

12 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

10 rows to pattern, multiple of 10 plus 1.

Dress

FRONT

With 2.75 mm (12) [US 2] needles, cast on 71 sts and knit one row, purl 1 row.

PATTERN

1st row: k1 *m1, k3, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k3, m1, k1, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd and all alternate rows: Purl.

3rd row: k1, *k1, m1, k2, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k2, m1, k2, repeat from * to end of row.

5th row: k1, *k2, m1, k1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k1, m1, k3, repeat from * to end of row.

7th row: k1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k4, repeat from * to end of row.

8th row: purl.

9th row: knit.

10th row: purl.

Repeat the last 10 pattern rows once, then 1 to 8 rows again.

Work 12 rows in st st ending with a purl row.

Decrease row: k1, *k2 tog, twice, k1, repeat from * to end of row. (43 sts)

BODICE

1st row: knit.

2nd row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, k1, repeat from * to end of row.

3rd row: purl.

4th row: k2 tog, twice, knit to last 4 sts, k2 tog, twice.

5th row: purl (39 sts).

Work 4 rows in st st.

10th row: cast off 2 sts, knit to end.

11th row: cast off 2 sts, purl to end.

Repeat the last two rows (row 10 and 11) once (31 sts).

Work 8 rows in st st.

22nd row: k12, cast off 7 sts, knit to end (last 12 sts are for right yoke).

RIGHT YOKE

1st row: purl.

2nd row: k2 tog, k10.

3rd row: purl.

4th row: k2 tog, k9.

5th row: purl.

6th row: knit.

Cast off.

Return to neck edge, and work left yoke, as per instructions for right yoke, but working the k2 tog sts at opposite end of needle to those on right yoke.

BACK

Work the same as front.

SLEEVES

Cast on 40 sts, and work 5 rows of k1, p1 rib.

Next row: inc 1 st st, purl to end (41 sts)

Work the first 10 rows of pattern as per dress twice.

The remainder of the sleeve is worked in st st.

Sleeve shaping

Decrease 1 st at each end of each row until 17 sts remain.

Cast off.

Make another sleeve the same.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up side and sleeve seams. Stitch each shoulder seam in 5 cm (1/4 in) from armhole. Work 1 row of dc on each side of shoulder. Make a small loop on each neck edge at the front to act as a buttonhole. Sew a small button on each back edge to match. Work a row of 1 dc, 2 tr around both front and back neck edges.

Tension

17sts = 5 cm (2 in) over st st

12 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

10 rows to pattern, multiple of 10 plus 1.

Dress

FRONT

With 2.75 mm (12) [US 2] needles, cast on 71 sts and knit one row, purl 1 row.

PATTERN

1st row: k1 *m1, k3, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k3, m1, k1, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd and all alternate rows: Purl.

3rd row: k1, *k1, m1, k2, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k2, m1, k2, repeat from * to end of row.

5th row: k1, *k2, m1, k1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k1, m1, k3, repeat from * to end of row.

7th row: k1, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k4, repeat from * to end of row.

8th row: purl.

9th row: knit.

10th row: purl.

Repeat the last 10 pattern rows once, then 1 to 8 rows again.

Work 12 rows in st st ending with a purl row.

Decrease row: k1, *k2 tog, twice, k1, repeat from * to end of row. (43 sts)

BODICE

1st row: knit.

2nd row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, k1, repeat from * to end of row.

3rd row: purl.

4th row: k2 tog, twice, knit to last 4 sts, k2 tog, twice.

5th row: purl (39 sts).

Work 4 rows in st st.

10th row: cast off 2 sts, knit to end.

11th row: cast off 2 sts, purl to end.

Repeat the last two rows (row 10 and 11) once (31 sts).

Work 8 rows in st st.

22nd row: k12, cast off 7 sts, knit to end (last 12 sts are for right yoke).

RIGHT YOKE

1st row: purl.

2nd row: k2 tog, k10.

3rd row: purl.

4th row: k2 tog, k9.

5th row: purl.

6th row: knit.

Cast off.

Return to neck edge, and work left yoke, as per instructions for right yoke, but working the k2 tog sts at opposite end of needle to those on right yoke.

BACK

Work the same as front.

SLEEVES

Cast on 40 sts, and work 5 rows of k1, p1 rib.

Next row: inc 1 st st, purl to end (41 sts)

Work the first 10 rows of pattern as per dress twice.

The remainder of the sleeve is worked in st st.

Sleeve shaping

Decrease 1 st at each end of each row until 17 sts remain.

Cast off.

Make another sleeve the same.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up side and sleeve seams. Stitch each shoulder seam in 5 cm (1/4 in) from armhole. Work 1 row of dc on each side of shoulder. Make a small loop on each neck edge at the front to act as a buttonhole. Sew a small button on each back edge to match. Work a row of 1 dc, 2 tr around both front and back neck edges.

Bonnet

Cast on 57 sts and knit one row, purl 1 row.

1st row: k4, *m1, k3, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k3, m1, k1, repeat from * to last 3 sts, k3.

2nd and alternate rows: k3, purl to last 3 sts, k3.

3rd row: k4, *k1, m1, k2, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k2, m1, k2, repeat from * to last 3 sts, k3.

5th row: k4, *k2, m1, k1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k1, m1, k3, repeat from * to last 3 sts, k3.

7th row: k4, *k3, m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k4, repeat from * to last 3 sts, k3.

8th row: k3, purl to last 3 sts, k3.

9th row: knit.

10th row: k3, purl to last 3 sts, k3.

Repeat the last 10 rows once.

Repeat 9th and 10th rows once.

BONNET CROWN

1st row: k2 tog, k5, k2 tog, *k6, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

2nd and all alternate rows: purl.

3rd row: *k5, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

5th row: *k4, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

7th row: *k3, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

9th row: *k2, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

11th row: *k1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

13th row: k2 tog all along row.

Break off wool, and run through remaining sts, pull up and end off firmly.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up back seam to end of pattern. Check with information at beginning of book and then proceed to press gently on the wrong side of work. Stitch ribbon ties, one each side of front bonnet and finish off with small rosettes.

Bootees

Cast on 27 sts, and knit 1 row, purl 1 row.

1st row: k2 tog, k1, *m1, k3, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k3, m1, repeat from * once, k1, m1, k2 tog.

2nd and all alternate rows: purl.

3rd row: k2 tog, m1, *k3, m1, k1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k2, m1, repeat from * once, k3, m1, k2 tog.

5th row: k6, *m1, k1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, k1, m1, k5, repeat from * once, k1.

7th row: k7, *m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k7, repeat from * once.

8th row: purl.

9th row: knit.

10th row: purl.

11th row: k1, *k1, m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

12th row: purl.

13th row: knit.

14th row: purl.

15th row: k17, turn.

16th row: p7, turn.

Work 9 rows of st st on these 7 sts (ending with a knit row).

Next row: pick up and knit 6 st down side of top of bootie, then knit across remaining 10 sts.

Next row: purl 23 sts, pick up and purl 6 sts down other side of foot, purl 10 (39 sts).

Base of bootie is worked in garter st throughout.

1st row: k17, k2 tog, k1, k2 tog, k17.

2nd and alternate rows: knit.

3rd row: k14, k2 tog, k1, k2 tog, k14.

5th row: k12, k2 tog, k1, k2 tog, k12.

7th row: k10, k2 tog, k1, k2 tog, k10.

Cast off.

Work another bootie the same.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up foot and back of leg, and thread ribbon through holes at ankle.

Panties

Cast on 42 sts. Knit one row.

Work 2 rows of k1, p1, rib.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *m 1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last st p1.

Work 2 rows of k1, p1, rib, k2 tog at end of last row.
(41 sts)

Work the 10 patterns rows as given for the dress
twice.

Work 6 rows in st st.

Next row: cast off 3 sts, knit to end of row.

Next row: cast off 3 sts, purl to end of row.

Repeat the last two rows 4 times.

Cast off.

Work another piece the same.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up side seams, and also crotch. Crochet a
narrow edge around each leg, and thread ribbon
through holes at waist.

SEE-SAW MARGERY DAW

*See-Saw, Margery Daw,
Jack shall have a new master;
Jack shall have but a penny a day,
Because he can't work any faster*

A lovely little outfit, consisting of dress, bonnet and booties for the petite 23–25 cm (9–10 in) baby doll. Originally designed for 2-ply wool, you can easily substitute today's 3-ply baby wool, and still get the same results, particularly if you use the chain store brands.

Materials

50 g (2 oz) white 3-ply yarn and a small amount of contrast

2.75 mm (12) [US 2] knitting needles

2 mm (14) [US 0] knitting needles

Tiny buttons or beads

Length of fine ribbon for bonnet and bootie ties

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	15.5 cm	6 in
	Length of skirt	12 cm	4 ¾ in
	Width around underarm	25.5 cm	10 in
	Width across chest	8.5 cm	3 ¼ in
	Width around hem	38 cm	15 in
	Length sleeve seam	3 cm	1 ¼ in
Bonnet	Facial measurement	17 cm	6 ¾ in
	Front to back	7 cm	2 ¾ in
Bootees	Top to bottom	4.5 cm	1 ¾ in
	Length of foot	3.5 cm	1 ½ in
Panties	Waist to crotch	7.5 cm	3 in
	Width around waist	19 cm	7 ½ in
	Length of leg seam	5 cm	2 in

Tension

9 sts = 2.5 cm (1 in) across st st

10 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

6 rows to pattern, multiple of 8 plus 1.

Dress

BACK

Using 2.75 mm (12) [US 2] knitting needles, and contrast yarn, cast on 65 sts and work 8 rows in garter st.

Change to white or other main colour and work in pattern as follows:

1st row: k1, *m1, sl 1, k1, pssso, k3, k2 tog, m 1, k1, repeat from * to end.

2nd, 4th: purl.

3rd row: k2, *m1, sl 1, k1, pssso, k1, k2 tog, m1, k3, repeat from * ending the last repeat with k2.

5th row: k3, *m1, sl 1, k2 tog, pssso, m1, k5 repeat from *, ending last repeat with k3.

6th row: purl.

Repeat the last 6 rows 4 times.

Divide for back opening as follows:

Next row: k32, turn and cast on 3 sts for facing, turn, and leaving the remaining 33 sts on a spare needle.

RIGHT HALF BACK

1st row: k3, purl to end.

2nd row: knit.

Repeat these 2 rows 7 times, then 1st row once.

Armhole shaping

Cast off 4 sts at beginning of next row.

Purl 1 row.

Dec 1 st at beginning of next row (30 sts).

Purl 1 row.

Dec row: k1, k2 tog, (k3 tog, k2 tog, k2 tog) 3 times, then k2 tog, k 4 (16 sts).

Knit 1 row.

Next row: purl to last 3 sts, k3.

Beginning with a purl row, work 12 rows in st st with a garter st border of 3 sts.

Neck shaping

Cast off 8 sts. at beginning of the next row, then work 1 row.

Cast off.

LEFT HALF BACK

Rejoin wool to right side of 33 sts (on spare needle) cast on 3 sts for under facing. (36 sts)

1st row: knit.

2nd row: purl to last 3 sts, k3.

Repeat these 2 rows 8 times, then 1st row again.

Armhole shaping

Cast off 4 sts at the beginning of next row.

Knit 1 row.

Dec 1 st at beginning of row (31 sts).

Dec row: k4, k2 tog, (k2 tog, k2 tog, k3 tog) 3 times, then k2 tog, twice (16 sts).

Knit 1 row.

Next row: k3, purl to end.

Beginning with a purl row, work 11 rows in st st, keeping the k3 border, then work neck shaping to match other side of back.

FRONT

Work the same as the back until the 5 patterns have been worked.

Work 18 rows in st st.

Armhole shaping

Cast off 4 sts at beginning of next 2 rows, then dec 1 st at beginning of each of the following 2 rows (55 sts).

Dec row: k1, k2 tog, (k3 tog, k2 tog, k2 tog) 7 times, then k2 tog, k1 (25 sts).

Knit 1 row.

Purl 1 row.

Beginning with a purl row, work 9 rows in st st.

Next row: k10, cast off 5 knit to end.

Right-front-shoulder shaping

On the last 10 sts, working in st st dec 1 st at neck edge on the next 2 rows, then work 3 rows.

Cast off.

Rejoin yarn to wrong side of the other 10 sts, and work to correspond with right shoulder.

SLEEVES (BOTH ALIKE)

With contrast yarn, and 2.75 mm (12) [US 2] needles cast on 21 sts, and work 3 rows in garter st. Change to main colour.

Inc row: (k2, inc in next st) 6 times, k3 (27 sts).

Work 7 rows in st st.

Armhole shaping

Cast off 2 sts at beginning of next 4 rows, then dec 1 st at beginning of following 6 rows.

Cast off remaining sts.

TO MAKE UP

Join shoulder seams, set in sleeves, join sleeve and side seams in one line. Place one side of garter st border over the other and catch down at base. Sew three small buttons (or beads) on bottom facing, and gently push button (bead) through garter st border of top facing. Work a row of dc round neck edge either in main colour or contrast.

Bonnet

Using contrast yarn and 2.75 mm (12) [US 2] needles, cast on 57 sts, and work 8 rows in garter st.

Change to main colour and work the 6 pattern rows twice.

Crown shaping

1st row: k6, (k2 tog, k8) 4 times, then k2 tog, k7, k2 tog (51 sts).

2nd and all alternate rows: purl.

3rd row: k5, (k2 tog, k7) 4 times, then k2 tog, k6, k2 tog (45 sts).

5th row: k4, (k2 tog, k6) 4 times, then k2 tog, k5, k2 tog (39 sts).

7th row: k3, (k2 tog, k5) 4 times, then k2 tog, k4, k2 tog (33 sts).

9th row: k2, (k2 tog, k4) 4 times, then k2 tog, k3, k2 tog (27 sts).

11th row: k1, (k2 tog, k3,) 4 times, then k2 tog, k2, k2 tog (21 sts).

13th row: (k2 tog, k2) 4 times, then k2 tog, k2 (15 sts).

Break off yarn, leaving a short end, thread this through a darning needle, and run through remain sts on needle. Draw up and fasten off securely, then sew up centre back seam to end of st st. Sew a ribbon on each end of garter st front band.

Bootees (both alike)

With 2 mm (14) [US 0] knitting needles and contrast yarn, cast on 33 sts.

Work 6 rows in garter st.

Join in main colour and work the 6 pattern rows.

Work 2 rows in st st.

Ribbon hole row: k2 (m1, k2 tog, k1) 10 times, then k1.

Purl 1 row.

Instep shaping

Knit 21, turn, k9.

On these 9 sts, work 7 rows in garter st, then pick up and knit 6 sts down the side of the instep, then knit the 12 sts, left unworked.

Next row: k27, pick up and knit 6 sts, down the other side of the instep, knit the remaining 12 sts. (45 sts.)

Knit one row.

Heel and toe shaping

1st row: k18, k2 tog, k5, k2 tog, k18.

2nd and 4th rows: k2 tog, knit until 2 sts remain, k2 tog.

3rd row: k17, k2 tog, k3, k2 tog, k17.

5th row: k16, k2 tog, k1, k2 tog, k16.

6th row: k2 tog, k31, k2 tog.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Join the back and underfoot seams, thread ribbon through holes at ankles.

TWINKLE, TWINKLE LITTLE STAR

*Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star,
How I wonder what you are,
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky*

Although originating in the late 1930s or early 1940s, the patterns for dress, bonnet, booties, vest and panties are suitable for 41–46 cm (16–18 in) dolls of all ages, and can be made in a variety of colours.

Materials

50 g (2 oz) 3-ply wool in main colour for the dress, bonnet and booties

25 g (1 oz) 3-ply wool (white) for vest and panties

3.75 mm (9) [US 5] knitting needles

4 m (approx 4 yd) of baby ribbon

2 snap fasteners (press studs) for back opening

Measurements

Dress	Shoulder to hem	27 cm	10 ½ in
	Length of skirt	20 cm	8 in
	Width around underarm	38 cm	15 in
	Width around hem	58.5 cm	23 in
Bonnet	Face edge	20 cm	8 in
	Front to back	10 cm	4 in
Booties	Top to sole	3 cm	1 ¼ in
	Length of sole	5 cm	2 in
Vest	Shoulder to hem	12.5 cm	5 in
	Width around underarm (unstretched)	21.25 cm	8 ½ in
Panties	Waist to crotch	10.5 cm	4 in
	Width around waist	28 cm	11 in
	Leg seam	6 cm	2 ¼ in

Tension

8 sts = 2.5 cm (1 in) across st

9 rows = 2.5 cm (1 in)

4 rows to pattern = 12 sts in width to pattern.

Dress (front and back bodice worked in one piece)

Using 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles and main colour, cast on 83 sts.

Work 4 rows in ms, 4 rows in st st, 4 rows in ms, inc 1 st at end of last row (84 sts).

Work in pattern as follows:

1st row: k5, m1, k2 tog, *k10, m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to last 5 sts, k5.

2nd row: purl.

3rd row: k5, k2 tog, m1, *k10, k2 tog, m1, repeat from * to last 5 sts, k5.

4th row: purl.

These 4 rows complete the pattern. Repeat pattern 13 times.

Next: *k1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row (56 sts.).

Next row: p tog, twice, purl to 6 sts remain, p2 tog, 3 times (51 sts).

Ribbon hole row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Next row: purl***.

Work in ms for 8 rows.

SLEEVES

Cast on 14 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows.

Work 14 rows in ms.

15th row: continuing in ms, work 34 sts, cast off 11 sts, ms 34.

Work 9 rows on the last 34 sts.

Neck shaping

Cast on 8 sts at neck edge, and work 15 rows in ms.

Cast off 14 sts at sleeve end.

Work 8 rows in ms.

Cast off.

Work the other shoulder and back to correspond.

BACK

Work back of skirt the same as front to ***casting off after purl row.

TO MAKE UP

Sew back of skirt to bodice. Sew sleeve and side seams. Sew snap fasteners to back edges of bodice, and thread through ribbon holes at waist.

Bonnet

Using 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles and main colour, cast on 49 sts.

Work 4 rows in ms.

5th row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

6th row: purl.

Work 4 rows in ms.

11th row: k6, k2 tog, m1, *k5, m1, k2 tog, m1, repeat from * to last 6 sts, k6.

12th row: purl.

13th row: k6, m1, k2 tog, *k5, m1, k2 tog, repeat to last 6 sts, k6.

14th row: purl.

Repeat the last 4 rows, 4 times.

Crown shaping

1st row: *k8, k2 tog, repeat from * to last 9 sts, k9.

2nd and alternate rows: purl.

3rd row: *k7, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

5th row: *k6, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

7th row: *k5, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

9th row: *k4, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

11th row: *k3, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

13th row: *k2, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

15th row: *k1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Break off yarn, leaving a length long enough to thread through needle, and then through remaining sts, draw together, and fasten off securely, then sew up crown of bonnet.

Bootees (worked from the bottom up to the ankle)

With main colour and 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles cast on 20 sts.

Knit one row.

2nd row: k9, inc in next 2 sts, k9.

3rd, 5th and 7th rows: knit.

4th row: k9, inc in each next 4 sts, k9.

6th row: k11, inc in each next 4 sts, k11.

8th row: knit.

9th row: k11, *sl 1, k6, k2 tog, turn, repeat from * 6 times, the last time knitting all sts.

Knit 1 row.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Knit one row.

Cast off loosely.

Work another bootie the same.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up sole and back, thread a ribbon through ribbon holes.

Vest (worked in one piece)

With white wool and 3.75 mm (9) [US 4] needles, cast on 40 sts.

Work 34 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Work 8 rows in garter st.

Neck shaping

Next row: k12, cast off 16 sts, k12.

Knit 13 rows on the last 12 sts. Break off wool (leave sts on spare needle).

Join wool at neck of other 12 sts, then knit 13 rows.

Next row: k12 sts, cast on 16 sts, knit remaining 12 sts.

Work 8 rows in garter sts.

Work 34 rows in k1, p1, rib.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Sew up side seams to 6 rows below where the garter st begins. If you wish you may crochet around neck and armholes, but check first to see that vest slips easily over head of doll.

Panties

With white wool and 3.75 mm (9) [US 5] needles cast on 42 sts.

Work 2 rows in k1, p1 rib.

Ribbon hole row: k1, *m1, k2 tog, repeat from * to end of row.

Work 2 rows in rib, inc 1 st at end of last row.

Work 19 rows in ms.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and every alternate row until there are 23 sts on needle. Knit 2 tog at end of row.

Work 1 row.

Next row and every alternate row: inc 1 st at each end of needle until 43 sts are on needle.

Work 2 rows in rib.

Work a row of ribbon holes.

Work 2 rows in rib.

Cast off.

TO MAKE UP

Join side seams and thread ribbon through ribbon holes.

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