

Buttonholes and Borders

Homework and Materials

For you to practice these techniques please bring the following materials and do the following homework:

Materials

Yarn--Bring the yarn of your choosing. Also bring fingering or sock yarn to add. Bring as many colors as you want. I recommend at least 3-4 colors. Complementary colors help your sample look interesting. Complementary colors are those opposite each other on the color wheel. The sample you create can serve as a reference to use when planning a border for your sweater.

Needles--Bring compatible sized needles for your yarn, as well as needles 3 sizes smaller and larger:

i.e. for D.K., a #5, a # 8 & a #2;

i.e. for worsted a #8, a 10 1/2 & a #5.

You will need a circular needle in the smaller size.

You will need a crochet hook B, C, or D.

Accessories--Scissors, measuring tape, pencil, paper and a few stitch holders. Bring a file folder with pockets; you can put your handout, notes and samples in the pockets.

Everything will be organized.

Homework

Swatch 1.

Cast on 20 stitches.

Row 1. Color A, Knit

Row 2. Color A, Knit

Row 3. Color B, Knit

Row 4. Color B, Purl

Work for a total of 42 rows.

Place stitches on a holder.

Swatch 2.

Work with edge stitches:

1. Knit into the back of the 1st stitch of every row. (K1B)

2. Slip as if to purl the last stitch of every row. (S1yf)

Cast on 20 stitches.

Row 1. Color A, K1B, K18, S1yf.

Row 2. Color A, K1B, K18, S1yf.

Row 3. Color B, K1B, K18, S1yf.

Row 4. Color B, K1B, P18, S1yf.

Work for a total of 42 rows.

Place stitches on a holder.

Please work these swatches so you can benefit from the workshop. You will add the Buttonholes and Borders to the swatches.

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Classroom Etiquette

Due to some student's allergies, I ask that you refrain from using perfume.