KNITTED TEDDY

Can you knit a teddy for a child in hospital in Malawi? Children who have their own teddy to cuddle get better quicker than those who do not have one. Each child keeps his own teddy and can take it home so the hospitals need a continual supply.

KNITTING INSTRUCTIONS

Double knitting wool. Size 3.75mm (No 9) needles.
Main colour for head and paws; trouser colour; jumper colour; scarf colour.

LEGS

Main colour. Cast on 10 sts. Knit 10 rows for feet.
Trouser colour. Knit 30 rows.
Make another leg the same.

BODY

Knit across all 20 sts and work 18 rows.
Jumper colour. Knit 24 rows.

HEAD

Main colour. 17.5cm (7") Stocking stitch (Knit 1row, Purl 1 row)
Change to jumper colour and continue the remainder of the teddy in reverse order. Cast off. Stitch down the sides of the head.

ARMS

Jumper colour. Pick up 8 sts either side of the neck join. Knit 20 rows.
Main colour. Knit 10 rows for paws. Cast off.
Make another arm the same.

Sew diagonally across the top corners for ears.
Sew a happy face on the teddy. (Easiest to do this before you sew up the rest of the teddy)
Sew up teddy leaving open the crotch or a gap at the side.
Please stuff firmly with kapok or other healthy filling. Foam rubber is not recommended as babies may chew the teddy.
Draw a thread around the neck.

SCARF

Cast on 60sts. Knit 4 rows.
Tie the scarf around the teddy's neck and sew to the back of the neck.