

BOY'S FIRE PUMPER CARDI

Worked up in an eye-catching red, white and black, this washable and fun boy's cardigan can be converted easily into a soft pastel palette for a girl. Complete this little red number with hand-painted fire truck buttons.



Materials

Shown in size 12 mos (18 mos, 24 mos, 36 mos)

Size 8 needle, Size H crochet hook (gauge = 4.5 sts to one inch)

Robin Turner Back to Basics MicroWash

1 (2,2,3) ball Tomato Red (A)

1 (1,2,2) ball White (B)

1 (2,2,3) ball Black (C)

***ENTIRE SWEATER IS WORKED IN STOCKINETTE STITCH (st st)
Pattern: 2 rows White, 6 rows Red, 2 rows White, 4 rows Black.***

BACK

With C, CO 48 (52, 56, 60) sts Work 6 rows, 1 by 1 rib.. Next row (RS): Begin stripe pattern in stockinette. Work pattern for a total of 4 (4, 5, 5) repeats. Add 3 (3, 4, 5) more rows of red. BO loosely.

FRONTS (make two mirror image with decreases at neck edges)

With C, CO 24 (26, 28, 30) sts. Work 6 rows in 1 by 1 rib. Next row (RS): Begin Stripe pattern in stockinette. Repeat stripe sequence exactly as back but begin decreasing at neck edge in the middle of the 4 (4, 5, 5)th pattern repeat. Decrease as follows when ready: At neck edge, BO 3 (4, 5,6) sts for neck edge. Continue working in st st, decreasing 1 st at neck edge every 6 (6, 7, 8) times. Work in even st st 3 (3,4,5) more rows and BO.

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SLEEVES (make two exactly alike)

With A, CO 48 (52,56, 60) sts Begin stripe sequence as above. Beginning on the second pattern repeat and each repeat thereafter, decrease 1 st at beg and end of row. Work pattern repeat (3, 3, 4, 4) times, BUT on the last repeat, when switching to C (Black) decrease 1 st at the beg and end of row, then work 1 by 1 rib for 5 more rows and BO.

FINISHING

Join shoulder seams. With RS facing and using C (Black) pick up and knit 4 sts for every 5 rows for each front placette. Work in garter for 1 row. Continue in garter but on next row add YOs for desired number of button holes. Knit 2 more rows. BO evenly. (Other placette will not have holes so just knit.) At edge of placette on RS use C (Black) and pick up evenly for collar (4 sts per inch) Work in seed stitch for 2.5 (3, 3, 3.5) inches. BO loosely. Sew on buttons. Seam sides and sleeves. Block and weave in ends.

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