

LW1256 Kid's Color Blocks★

★ *Suitable for beginners.*

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Directions are for Size 2. Changes for Sizes 4, 6, and 8 are in parentheses. Hat circumference = 17½ (19¾)".

RED HEART® "Kids™" 4 Ply Light Worsted Weight Yarn, 100% acrylic, Art. E711 (5 oz solids; 4 oz multi-color skeins): **Cardigan:** 3 (3½, 4, 4½) Ounces No. 2677 Green **CA**, 1½ ounces each No. 2390 Red **CB** and 2845 Blue **CC**, and 2½ (2¾, 3, 3½) ounces No. 2930 Crayon **CD**. **Hat:** 1 Ounce each **CA**, **CB**, **CC**, and **CD**.

Crochet Hooks: U.S. Sizes G-6 [4mm] and I-9 [5.5mm].

Six ⅞" Buttons, sewing needle and thread.

GAUGE: In dc - 14 sts = 4"; 11 rows = 6" with larger hook.
CHECK YOUR GAUGE. Use any size hook to obtain the gauge given.

To Fit Chest: 22 (24, 26, 28)".

Finished Chest Measurement: 26 (28, 30, 32)".

CARDIGAN

BACK: With larger hook and **CA**, ch 48 (51, 55, 58). **Row 1 (Right Side):** Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across; turn – 46 (49, 53, 56) sts. **Row 2:** Ch 3, skip first dc, dc in each dc across and in top of ch-3; turn. Rep Row 2 until 5½ (5½, 6½, 6½)" from beg, end wrong side row. **Shape Armholes:** Ch 1, sl st in first 5 sts, ch 3, dc in next 37 (40, 44, 47) dc; turn, leaving last 4 sts unworked – 38 (41, 45, 48) sts. Work even in dc until armhole measures 5½ (5½, 6½, 6½)". Fasten off.

Ribbing: With right side facing and smaller hook, attach **CA** at lower edge, ch 3, work 45 (47, 51, 55) dc across beg ch; turn – 46 (48, 52, 56) sts. **Ribbing Row:** Ch 2, * dc around the *post* of next dc from the **front**, dc around the *post* of the next dc from the **back**; rep from * to last st; hdc in top of ch; turn. Rep Ribbing Row for 1½ (2, 1½, 2)". Fasten off.

RIGHT FRONT: With larger hook and **CB**, ch 25 (26, 28, 30). Work in dc over 23 (24, 26, 28) sts until front measures same as back to armhole, end wrong side row. **Shape Armhole:** Ch 3, dc in next 18 (19, 21, 23) dc; turn – 19 (20, 22, 24) sts. Work even until armhole measures 3¾ (3¾, 5, 5)", end right side row. **Shape Neck:** Ch 3, dc in next 11 (12, 14, 16) dc; turn, leaving last 7 sts unworked – 12 (13, 15, 17) sts. Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 2 rows – 10 (11, 13, 15) sts. Fasten off. **Ribbing:** Work same as back with **CA** over 22 (24, 26, 28) sts. Fasten off.

LEFT FRONT: Work same as right front with **CC** until front measures same as back to armhole, end wrong side row. **Shape Armhole:** Ch 1, sl st in first 5 sts, ch 3, dc in next 18 (19, 21, 23) dc; turn – 19 (20, 22, 24) sts. Work even until armhole measures 3¾ (3¾, 5, 5)", end right side row. **Shape Neck:** Ch 1, sl st in first 8 sts, ch 3, dc in each st to end; turn – 12 (13, 15, 17) sts. Dec 1 st at neck edge on next 2 rows. Fasten off. Work ribbing same as for right front.

SLEEVES: With larger hook and **CD**, ch 28 (30, 32, 34). Work in dc over 26 (28, 30, 32) sts, shaping sides by inc 1 st each end of 3rd row, then every right side row until there are 38 (38, 46, 46) sts. Work even until 8¼ (9¼, 10¼, 11½)" from beg. Fasten off. **Ribbing:** Work same as back with **CA** over 22 (22, 24, 26) sts for 2". Fasten off.

FINISHING-Neckband: Sew shoulder seams. With right side facing and smaller hook, attach **CA** at right neck edge, ch 3, work 14 dc across right edge, 18 (18, 20, 20) dc across back neck, 15 dc down left edge; turn – 48 (48, 50, 50) sts. Work one row of ribbing. Fasten off.

Buttonband (Work on left front for girls, right front for boys): With right side facing and smaller hook, attach **CA** and work 3 rows sc evenly across front edge. Fasten off.

Buttonhole Band: Mark positions for 6 buttonholes on rem front. Work 1 row sc. **Buttonhole Row:** Ch 1, [sc to marker, ch 2, skip 2 sc] 6 times, sc to end; turn. **Next Row:** Ch 1, [sc to sp, 2 sc in sp] 6 times, sc to end. Fasten off. Sew on buttons. Sew in sleeves, sewing ends of last row to underarm sts of fronts and back. Sew side and sleeve seams.

HAT

With larger hook and **CD** ch 17 (19). **Row 1 (Right Side):** Dc in 4th ch from hook and in each ch across; turn – 15 (17) sts. **Shape Top:** Working in dc, inc 1 st at beg of next row, then at same edge 2 (3) more times; work 1 (0) row even; now dec 1 st at same edge on next 3 (4) rows. Fasten off. ****With right side facing, attach **CB** in first st, ch 3, dc in each st across; turn – 15 (17) sts. Rep the 7 (8) shaping rows. Fasten off.**** Rep from ** to ** with **CD**, then rep from ** to ** with **CC**. **Ribbing:** With right side facing and smaller hook, attach **CA** at straight edge of hat, ch 3, work 67 (73) dc across; turn – 68 (74) sts. Work in ribbing, same as for cardigan back, for 2". Sew back seam; sew curved row ends of shaping together to form top. Make a 3" pom pom with **CA** and attach to top of hat.

ABBREVIATIONS: beg = begin(ning); **CA**, **CB**, etc = Color A, Color B, etc; **ch** = chain; **dc** = double crochet; **dec** = decrease; **hdc** = half double crochet; **inc** = increase; **mm** = millimeters; **pat** = pattern; **rem** = remain(ing); **rep** = repeat; **sc** = single crochet; **sl st** = slip stitch; **st(s)** = stitch(es); * or ** = repeat whatever follows the * or ** as indicated; [] = work directions given in brackets the number of times specified.

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