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# Kids Knit!: Simple Steps To Nifty Projects



## Synopsis

Children love to knit; plus it's a must for any Brownie or Girl Scout who wants to earn her badge. From dolls to doll blankets, scarves to backpacks, the 20 projects in this fun, colorfully illustrated collection are especially geared to kids. The easy-to-follow lessons proceed logically from very basic to more advanced skills, so youngsters can keep on learning as they work. They'll see how to read patterns; cast on and do simple stitches; bind off; darn in the ends; make tassels, fringes, and pom-poms; sew on a snap fastener; join a new ball of yarn, and more. It won't be long before the youngest knitters are completing a headband, cat toy, teddy bear puppet, and drawstring purse.

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## Customer Reviews

This is a good basic knitting book for kids. I'm helping teach my friend's daughters (ages 6 & 8) to knit, and these are good projects for young learners. The book shows good pictures and simple descriptions of each knitting step. However, this book only shows ONE way to cast on -- the knitted cast-on. Most of us learned as children the slip cast on, sometimes called the loop cast on, which is just simple loops on the knitting needle. This is what my Grandma taught me first when I was about 6, and what I have taught my friend's girls. The girls have had enough trouble remembering even this simplest of cast-ons, they prefer to knit rather than cast on, so for now we're sticking to the

easiest possible way. For a good book that shows this easiest slip cast on, try "Kids Learn to Knit" by Lucinda Guy. Except for that one detail, the rest of the book is great! The projects are: 1. Washcloth 2. Headband 3. Sunglasses case 4. Doll blanket 5. Doll 6. Scrunchie 7. Amulet Bag 8. Ribbed Scarf 9. Cat Toy 10. House Cushion 11. Teddy Bear Puppet 12. Kerchief 13. Kite Bookmark 14. Pot Holder 15. Drawstring Purse 16. Fashion Doll Dress (for Barbie-type doll) 17. Backpack 18. Coaster 19. Place Mat 20. Tote Bag

The book shows clearly a number of techniques, including simple binding-off, making tassels and fringes, joining a new ball of yarn, knit and purl stitches, stockinette stitch, ribbing, twisted cord, making pom-poms, what abbreviations mean, simple increase and simple decrease, yarn over, picking up stitches, and I-cord. There are beautiful pictures of every project with pictures of cute kids knitting or using the finished projects. Overall, this is a great little book for your young knitter friends, and I recommend it, but not as their only knitting book.

I purchased a bulk set of this book for a knitting class with our homeschool co-op. I have a group of 17 that are ages 7 up through a couple of moms. After three weeks, some of them have taken off, read instructions on their own and are doing some amazing things. The others are still waiting for some personal guidance, but since I have this book as a resource, I know right where to go to show them what happens next. Several mothers that are not taking the class have even commented on how wonderfully easy the book is to understand even for a non-knitter.

This book looks perfect for my almost eight year old grandson who is showing a keen interest in knitting. However, I did not come across any photos of boys knitting in the book.

Activities like knitting just are not being passed down from generation to generation any longer. So I had to sign my daughter and I up for a beginning knitters class which was not long enough - full of other students - so the teacher could not help everyone - so this book was a huge help for us. My daughter her friend and I can now knit, cast on single stick and ending the piece. I think more activities need to be passed down as they no longer have it in homemaking classes. I think it depends on the parent if it's important to them to introduce their children to these lost arts.

If you are a beginner like me and have not had any experience with knitting this is a fantastic book! Easy instructions on casting on, basic stitches, yarns, and a few easy projects. It has been very easy to teach my girls who are 6 and 8 years old how to knit - and very handy for first time knitters as adults! I am truly a beginner with knitting and found this book so helpful!

I have been teaching my granddaughters to knit and thought it would be helpful for them to have a reference for when I am not around as we live fairly far away. It has several nice patterns and I think my older granddaughter will find it very useful. The six year old is having a little trouble with the process, but I think practice is what she needs.

A great book for young minds, and interested parents, for learning how to knit. Diagrams are easy to follow. The initial steps took a few times to get it, but I think that my daughter is enjoying now, and her mother even more so. Great book.

I am a long time knitter planning on teaching my 5 yr. old granddaughter to knit. she doesn't read yet, but even with the pictures I think she can get something from it. When she gets old enough to follow along and read this is a perfect starter book, with kid friendly patterns.

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