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#### Sizes

2 4 8 10 years

#### **Finished Measurements**

Chest: 23 (26<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, 30, 34)" [58.5 (67.5, 76, 86.5) cm] Length: 12 (15, 18, 21)" [30.5 (38, 45.5, 53.5) cm]

#### Yarn

#### Pure Wool Worsted

Colorblock version (shown on boy) A Electric 143 1 1 2 2 x 100 gm B Crimson 123

	1	2	2	2	x 100 gm
C Dar	nson 15	6			
	1	2	2	2	x 100 gm

3

4

x 100 gm

Striped sleeve version (shown on girl)

A Magenta 119

2 3 1 each: B Periwinkle 146 D Rosy 115 F Azure 138 E Morello 121 F Mustard 131

#### Needles and Other Materials

Knitting needles in size US 8 [5 mm] or size needed to obtain gauge

Knitting needles in size US 6 [4 mm] Circular knitting needle (16" [40 cm]) in size US 6 [4 mm] or size needed to obtain gauge Stitch holder Stitch markers

#### Tension

19 sts and 24 rows to 4" [10 cm] in St st using larger needles. Take time to save time, check your tension.

#### PATTERN STITCH

Sleeve Stripes: In St st work: 4 rows A 4 rows B 2 rows C 6 rows D 4 rows E 4 rows F 2 rows A 6 rows B 4 rows C 4 rows C 4 rows D 2 rows E 6 rows F Repeat these 48 rows for pattern.

#### BACK

**Colorblock version:** With smaller needles and A, cast on 54 (63, 72, 81) sts. Work in St st for 2" [5 cm], ending with a

WS row. Change to larger needles. Cont in St st until piece meas 4 (6, 8, 9)" [10 (15, 20.5, 23) cm] from beg with lower edge unrolled.

Change to B, and work in St st for 4 (4, 4, 5)" [10 (10, 10, 12.5) cm] – piece meas 8 (10, 12, 14)" [20.5 (25.5, 30.5, 35.5) cm] from beg. Change to C, and work in St st for 4 (5, 6, 7)" [10 (12.5, 15, 18) cm] – piece meas 12 (15, 18, 21)" [30.5 (38, 45.5, 53.5) cm] from beg. Bind off all sts.

**Striped sleeve version:** With smaller needles and A, cast on 54 (63, 72, 81) sts. Work in St st for 2" [5 cm], ending with a WS row. Change to larger needles. Cont in St st with A until piece meas 12 (15, 18, 21)" [30.5 (38, 45.5, 53.5) cm] from beg. Bind off all sts.

#### FRONT

Work as for Back, either solid color or striped version, until piece meas 10 (13, 16, 19)" [25.5 (33, 40.5, 48.5) cm] from beg with lower edge unrolled, or 2" [5 cm] less than finished length of Back, ending with a WS row.

**Shape front neck:** Work across 18 (21, 25, 29) sts, place center 18 (21, 22, 23) sts on holder for front neck, join second ball of yarn and work 18 (21, 25, 29) sts to end. Working each side separately, bind off at each neck edge 3 (3, 4, 4) sts once, 2 (2, 2, 3) sts once, then 1 st twice -11 (14, 17, 20) sts rem at each side. Work even until piece meas 12 (15, 18, 21)" [30.5 (38, 45.5, 53.5) cm] from beg. Bind off all sts.

#### **SLEEVES**

**Note:** Sleeve shaping begins on first RS row worked with larger needles; please read the next sections all the way through before proceeding.

**Colorblock version:** With smaller needles and A, cast on 32 (36, 38, 40) sts. Work in St st for 2" [5 cm] with lower edge

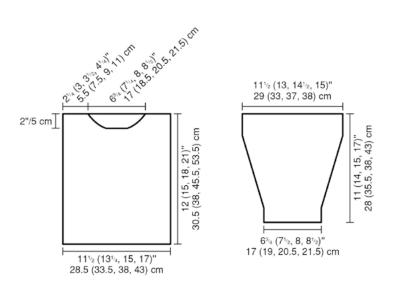
unrolled, ending with a WS row. Change to larger needles. Beg sleeve shaping given below while changing colors as follows: Cont in St st until piece meas 3 (5, 6, 6)" [7.5 (12.5, 15, 15) cm] from beg with lower edge unrolled. Change to B, and work in St st for 4 (4, 4, 5)" [10 (10, 10, 12.5) cm] – piece meas 7 (9, 10, 11)" [18 (23, 25.5, 28) cm] from beg. Change to C, and work in St st until piece meas 11 (14, 15, 17)" [28 (35.5, 38, 43) cm] from beg, or desired length. Bind off all sts. **at the same time**, after changing to larger needles, inc 1 st at each side every 4th row 8 (6, 9, 8) times, then every 6th row 3 (7, 6, 8) times – 54 (62, 68, 72) sts. Work even to finished length given above, changing colors as indicated.

**Striped sleeve version:** With smaller needles and A, cast on 32 (36, 38, 40) sts. Work in St st for 2" [5 cm] with lower edge unrolled, ending with a WS row. Change to larger needles. Beg sleeve shaping as for colorblock version while changing colors according to Sleeve Stripes (see Pattern Stitch). When piece meas 11 (14, 15, 17)" [28 (35.5, 38, 43) cm] from beg, or desired length, bind off all sts.

#### FINISHING

**Neckband:** Sew shoulder seams. With circular needle and C for colorblock version, or A for striped sleeve version, with RS facing and beg at right shoulder seam, pick up a total of 78 (82, 88, 92) sts around neck opening, including held sts from center front holder. Place marker and join for working in the rnd. Work in St st (knit all sts every rnd) for 1" [2.5 cm]. Bind off all sts loosely.

Meas down  $5\frac{3}{4}$  ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $7\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $7\frac{1}{2}$ )" [14.5 (16.5, 18.5, 19) cm] from each shoulder seam and place markers along sides of fronts and back. Sew top edge of each sleeve between markers. Sew sleeve and side seams. Weave in ends.





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