

## EASY KID'S VEST

Materials: 2 skeins worsted weight yarn (200 yds per skein). Plymouth Encore was used for all sizes.

Gauge: 9 sts = 2" in stockinette stitch

Needles: 6 & 8 or size required for gauge

Size 4 (6, 8). Finished chest measurements: 24" (26", 28"). Directions are for size 4 with sizes 6 & 8 in parentheses.

### BACK:

With #6 needles, cast on 56 (62, 66) sts. Knit 9 rows in garter sti (knit every row).

Change to #8 needles and beginning with a knit row, work in stockinette stitch until piece measures 7-1/2" (8", 9-1/2") from beginning. End having just worked a right side row.

### Underarm Border:

Row 1 (wrong side): K8, p to last 8 sts, k8

Row 2: Knit

Repeat last 2 rows twice more.

### Armhole:

Next Row (wrong side): Bind off 4 sts. With one st left on needle, k3, p to last 8 sts, k8.

Next Row: Bind off 4 sts, k across - 48 (54, 58) sts.

Keeping 4 sts each side in garter st, work as follows:

Row 1 (wrong side): K4, p to lst 4 sts, k4

Row 2: K4, ssk, k to last 6 sts, k2tog, k4

Repeat last 2 rows 3 more times - 40 (46, 50) sts.

Keeping 4 sts each side in garter st, work even until armhole measures 5" (5-1/2", 6") from bound off sts, ending having just worked a right side row.

### Shoulder and Neck:

Row 1 (wrong side): K4, p6, k20 (26, 30), p6, k4

Row 2: Knit

Repeat rows 1 & 2 twice more, then row 1 once. Bind off loosely.

### RIGHT FRONT

Work as for back up to Underarm Border, ending having just worked a right side row.

### Underarm Border & V-neck:

Row 1: K8, p16 (19, 21), k8, p16 (19, 21), k8

Row 2: Knit

Repeat last 2 rows twice more.

### Armhole:

Bind off 4 sts. With 1 st left on needle, k3, p16 (19, 21), k4. Place remaining sts on holder.

Now work as follows:

Row 1: K4, ssk, k to within last 6 sts, k2tog, k4

Row 2: K4, p to lst 4 sts, k4

Row 3: K to within last 6 sts, k2tog, k4

Row 4: Repeat row 2

Repeat rows 1-4 once more - 18 (21, 23) sts.

Working armhole edge even and continuing to decrease 1 st at neck edge every 4th row, work as follows:

Row 1: K4, ssk, k to end

Row 2: K4, p to last 4 sts, k4

Row 3: Knit even

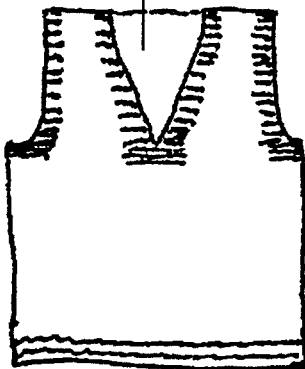
Row 4: Repeat row 2

Repeat last 4 rows until 14 sts remain. Work even until armhole measures same as back from bound off sts. Bind off loosely.

### LEFT FRONT

Place sts from holder onto needle. With wrong side facing, join yarn at neck edge.

K4, p16 (19, 21), k8



### Armhole:

Next Row: Bind off 4 sts. With 1 st left on needle, k3, ssk, k to within 6 sts of end, k2tog, k4

Next Row: K4, p to last 4 sts, k4

Now work as follows:

Row 1: K4, ssk, k to end

Row 2: K4, p to within last 4 sts, k4

Row 3: K4, ssk, k to within last 6 sts, k2tog, k4

Row 4: Repeat row 2

Row 5: K4, ssk, k to end

Row 6: Repeat row 2

Keeping armhole edge even and decreasing 1 st at neck edge every 4th row, work:

Row 1: K to within last 6 sts, k2tog, k4

Row 2: K4, p to within last 4 sts, k4

Row 3: Knit

Row 4: Repeat row 2

Repeat rows 1-4 until 14 sts remain. Work even until armhole measures same as right front. Bind off loosely. Sew shoulder and side seams. Darn in ends. Block lightly.