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# Creative Kids Complete Photo Guide To Knitting



## Synopsis

Are you looking for the perfect guide to teach your child to knit? Look no further! Creative Kids Complete Photo Guide to Knitting starts with the absolute basics about knitting, beginning with a discussion about needles and yarn, how to cast stitches onto the needle, then gradually introduces skills and techniques until kids are knitting confidently. Mary Scott Huff, author of *Fun and Fantastical Hats to Knit* and *Fun and Fantastical Slippers to Knit*, will guide you and your children through projects. With over 200 photos and clear, concise instructions in language easily understood by grade-school kids, you're going to be creating crafty knit projects with your child in no time! Each project lists the knitting skills that will be exercised in making it and projects are rated for difficulty, so kids can learn and grow as they develop dexterity and coordination. Your children will learn to knit by making simple projects and building skills by practicing the essentials, and this book provides a sound foundation for a lifetime of knitting enjoyment.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## Customer Reviews

"This book is a terrific teaching tool for getting children started on knitting. This book has step-by-step instructions - including photos of the steps - for knitting, spindle spinning, joining

(seams that look seamless) and many other techniques. It also has some fun projects for kids, everything from headbands with animal ears to bracelets, scarves, tote bags and monsters. There's even a bow tie and a sweater." - In Stitches

Mary Scott Huff, author of *Fantastical Hats to Knit* (CPi, 2014) began as a classically trained actor and theatrical costume designer, but accidentally became a computer programmer somewhere along the way. In writing her first two books, *The New Stranded Colorwork*, and *Teach Yourself Visually Color Knitting*, Mary fled the realm of Information Technology to pursue a more yarn-centered way of life. The many friends she found along the way have helped her become a nationally-recognized designer, teacher and author. A native of the Pacific Northwest, Mary shares a wee little house there with her husband, two children, some Scottish Terriers, and more yarn than is strictly necessary. You can join Mary on her adventures playing with string at [www.maryscotthuff.com](http://www.maryscotthuff.com)[www.maryscotthuff.com](http://www.maryscotthuff.com)[www.ravelry.com/designers/mary-scott-huff](http://www.ravelry.com/designers/mary-scott-huff)

I bought this book for our 11 year old niece for Christmas! What a great book. Wonderful illustrations and good directions. Very good teaching and reference book for her to learn to knit! I think I'll buy another.

Hoping to learn with my child.

It fell apart after a couple of months. No worries and we realized that the coloring from it rubs off on our white chair.

I learned how to knit as a child and found it to be calming and fun with a nice sense of accomplishment after I finished even the simplest item. My daughter is learning knitting basics and has made a few small things so far, including a headband. This book has lots of photos, clear, concise instructions and simple language which is easy for children to follow. Younger children may need some adult assistance, but my daughter is a young teen and was able to catch on with no problem. This book is helping her to expand her knowledge and branch out to more complex techniques. Right now, she is trying to learn about increases, decreases and binding off. I like that they had extra knitting type crafts, like making pom-poms (one of our favorites!). My daughter is hoping to make easy handmade washcloths from the book for her siblings for Christmas.

I love this book, it's an excellent beginners resource for kids (heck, even adults!) who want to learn to knit. The book has wonderful photo tutorials for two different cast ons, knit, purl and binding off. There's also a section on frogging, tinking, retrieving dropped stitches, two different increases, two different decreases and knitting in the round. Once the basics are down, there's a section where you can learn about the different weights of yarn, how to swatch, how to block, how to join a new skein of yarn, how to seam pieces together, and even how to wind a ball of yarn from a hank! There's also a tutorial on felting and making pompoms (using either cardboard or a pompom maker). There is also great advice on reading patterns and charts. When you're ready to start knitting, you can even learn how to make your own knitting needles! When you're ready to knit, the book even comes with several patterns for everything from a bracelet, to a washcloth to a cowl and finally to a sweater! There are also patterns for a felted bag, some cute germy toys, a fun hat (which my son has already requested), a pencil roll, and a dog sweater (among others). This book contains everything you need to learn the basics and beyond of knitting and will provide kids with hours of fun building a skill that will last a lifetime.

Great projects and so much more. The book starts with knitting mechanics, all with step by step photos. It even includes retrieving dropped stitches, an important skill for all knitters. I would say this is a pretty comprehensive guide with everything you need to know to get started on your love of knitting. The chapter on tools and resources contains a wealth of information, including community resources to further explore and develop your knitting passion. The 15 projects would appeal to any age including pencil case, pompon hat, dog sweater, kitty ears, scarf, cowl, sweater, slippers, etc. There is lots of great information here.

What a wonderful book for kids (& grown-ups)! The how-to photos are fabulous. The projects are cute and perfect for the beginning knitter. (I particularly like the pattern for microbes, and I think kids will, too.) The book contains great information on "the language of knitting", which can be overwhelming to the new knitter. I am often told by new knitters that they are intimidated by the prospect of reading knitting patterns, using charts, or determining gauge. This book provides a good introduction to these concepts. I will definitely reach for this book the next time I teach someone to knit.

Wonderful fun for kids. Mary Scott Huff has included all kinds of basic knitting knowledge a lots of fun! Start by creating your own knitting needles (!) then proceed from typical beginning projects like

scarves and washcloths through kitten ears, bow tie/headband, germs and your very own first sweater. Lots of bright colors, great photographs, fun projects for boys or girls (I believe both would like to create every project) ages 8 to 14.

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