

**Back to School Clothing Drive**  
**Stitches of Love**

**Rolled Brim Loom Knit Hat**

Worsted Weight Yarn #4

or use 1 strand of baby or DK yarn

Drinking Straw, cut in 1/2

Yarn Needle

36 peg knitting loom, 3/4" gauge

Knitting tool



Start by threading **TWO** strands of yarn through the straw. The yarn can be 2 two different colors, or use 1 strand of worsted and 1 strand of baby or DK weight yarn. These lighter yarns keeps the hat from being so heavy.

The drinking straw needs to fit between the pegs, and it's helpful if it is a color and not clear. The straw will make the e-wrap easier to do.

Leaving a 6" tail, tie a slip knot and place it on a peg. Begin wrapping each peg around the loom. Push those wraps to the bottom of the peg, and wrap around the loom one more time. Anchor the last wrap by lifting the bottom wrap up, over and off the top wrap. Now knit your first round by continuing to lift the bottom wrap up, over and off. Continue in the same way until your hat is about 8" long.

Cut the working yarn leaving about 30". Thread this into the yarn needle. Starting with the next peg, begin removing loops by inserting the needle UP the peg, and sliding the loop onto the yarn. Continue around removing all loops. Pull up the yarn and anchoring it tightly. Weave in all ends.

## Tips:

It doesn't matter which direction you wrap the pegs and go around the loom. If you wrap the pegs counter-clockwise, then go around the loom clockwise. And vice-versa. If you notice that your yarns are coming untwisted, try going in the opposite directions.



If you always start and stop each round on the same peg, you will get a funny "ladder" in your work. To avoid this, I vary where I stop and start. If you consider the last peg wrapped as #1, I knit off in this order - #1, #3, #5, #4, #2, and #-1. Then I wrap and knit off #2 and #3. You will start with what was #4 for the next round. That way you will be starting with a different peg each round.

You can add a stripe of a couple of rows. Just attach the new yarn, and leave the old yarn behind. (Don't do the varying as mentioned above if you are using 2 yarns.) Then pick up the old yarn when you come back to it.