## **ELEANOR'S BERET**

COATS & CLARK'S RED HEART® KNITTING WORSTED, 4 PLY ("Tangle-Proof" Pull-Out Skeins): 3 ounces.

Knitting Needles, 1 pair No. 6, 14 inches long.

9 markers.

GAUGE: 5 sts = 1 inch; 7 rows = 1 inch.

Starting at the top, cast on 5 sts. **1st row**: \*K in front and back of next st -an inc made. Repeat from \* across —10 sts. 2nd row: Purl. 3rd row: Repeat first row -20 sts. 4th row: \* P 4, place a marker on righthand needle. Repeat from \* 3 times more, p remaining sts. Hereafter slip markers from left to right-hand needle on every row. 5th row: Inc in first st, k 2, \* inc in next st, slip marker, inc in next st, k 2. Repeat from \* 3 times more; inc in last st —10 sts increased. 6th row: Slipping markers, p across. 7th row: Inc in first st, \* k to within one st before next marker, inc in next st. slip marker,inc in next st. Repeat from \* 3 times more; k to within last st, inc in last st -10 sts increased. Repeat 6th and 7th rows alternately until there are 160 sts on needle, ending with a p row.

Next row: Slipping markers, k Next row: P 16, place a across. marker on needle, \* p 16, slip marker, p 16, place a marker. Repeat from \* 3 times more; p remaining 16 sts—there are 9 markers. Now work decreasing rows as follows: 1st row: \* K to within 2 sts before next marker, k 2 tog—one st decreased; slip marker. Repeat from \* 8 times more; k to within last 2 sts, k 2 tog—10 sts decreased. **2nd row**: Purl. 3rd row: \* K 2 tog, k to next marker, slip marker. Repeat from \* 8 times more, k 2 tog, k to end of row. 4th row: Purl. Repeat last 4 rows until 80 sts remain. Work in k 2, p 2 ribbing for 1-1/2 inches. Bind off loosely in ribbing.

Press through damp cloth. Sew side edges together for back seam.

Fold ribbing in half to wrong side and sew in place. If desired, draw elastic through, adjust to fit and sew short ends together.

POMPON Cut a 10-inch length of yarn, Wind remaining yarn around a 3-inch piece of cardboard. Draw the 10-inch length under strands at one end and tie securely. Cut strands at opposite end. Trim evenly and sew to center top of beret.