



CROCHET POCKET PEACE PAL (Boy) (Pattern created by Becky Stevens)

This pattern was prayerfully and intentionally developed by a crocheter who is a member of Knitting4Peace. It is intended to create comforting companions for children in local & global areas of conflict. We are an organization dedicated to crafting hope, healing, and peace one stitch at a time. To read more about our work, please visit our website at www.knitting4peace.org.

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YARN: Feel free to use your odds & ends.

CROCHET HOOK: Size F

OTHER: Tapestry needle to sew up Pal and make face; Poly-fiberfill stuffing

HINT: If you crochet tightly, your Pal will be stiff and hard. If you loosen up just a little, your Pal will be softer and more huggable.

PATTERN:

Rnd 1 With fun fur, eyelash, boucle or other interesting textured yarn, ch 3. Join with sl st into ring, ch 1 and work 6 sc into ring. Do not join but place marker thread after 6th sc to mark end of round. (From here on, carry marker thread along, weaving back and forth at the ends of each round.)

Rnd 2 Work 2 sc into each sc around. (12 sts)

Rnd 3 *Sc in one st, 2 sc in next st, repeat from * around. (18 sts)

Rnd 4 * Sc in each of 2 sts, 2 sc in next st, repeat from * around. (24 sts)

Rnds 5 & 6 Sc in each st around. At end of round 6, join with sl st and turn inside out to work rest of pocket pal. (This puts the fluffier side of the hair on the outside instead of the inside of the head.) Cut yarn for hair, leaving 6" length to work back in. Pull starting end of yarn at top of head to inside and work a few stitches to anchor it.

FACE (medium or dark brown yarn)

Rnd 7 Pick up yarn for face, leaving a few inches to work back in later. Work sc in each st around, keep moving marker to mark ends of rounds. (24 sts)

Rnd 8 *Sc in each of 10 sts, dec over next 2 sts, repeat from* once more. (22 sts)

Rnds 9-11 Work sc in each st around. (22 sts)

Rnd 12 *Sc in each of 2 sts, dec over next 2 sts, repeat from * around, ending with sc in each of last 2 sts. (17 sts)

At end of round 12, cut face yarn, leaving 12" length to sew neck. Work in ends of yarn for hair and top of face to anchor them inside the body.

SHIRT

Rnd 13 Pick up shirt color yarn, leaving 12” length to sew an arm later. * Sc in one st, 2 sc in next st, repeat from * around, ending with sc in last st. (25 sts)

Rnds 14-19 Work sc in each st around. (25 sts) After a few rounds of shirt are completed, stop and embroider the eyes and mouth on the face. Fasten these ends of yarn off inside head. Stuff head. Pull length of face yarn that was left at neck edge and length of yarn left at beginning of shirt to the right side to be available to sew neck and arm later. At end of round 19, cut shirt yarn, leaving 12” length to sew an arm in later.

BELT

Rnd 20 Pick up yarn color for belt, leaving a few inches to work in later. Work sc in each st around. Cut belt yarn, leaving a few inches to sew on inside to anchor. (25 sts)

PANTS

Rnds 21-29 Pick up yarn color for pants, leaving 12” length at beginning to sew legs later. Work sc in each st around. (25 sts) After a few rounds of the pants are completed, pull the length of yarn left at the end of the shirt and the length of yarn from the beginning of the pants to the right side to be available later. At end of round 29, cut pants colored yarn, leaving a 6” length to fasten off inside pants. (If desired, you can continue the next 3 rounds in the same color as the pants instead of changing to a different color for the feet.)

Rnds 30-32 Pick up yarn color for feet and work sc in each st around. (25 sts) At end of round 32, join yarn with sl st and cut, leaving 12” length to sew pants closed.

Use the yarn from the face that was left at base of face to sew around neck to pull it in. Place a small amount of stuffing in each side of shirt for the arms. Use ends of yarn at top and bottom of shirt to stitch up each side of shirt (about 1/2 “ in from the side) for the arms. Stuff shirt. Using pants colored yarn left at top of pants, sew seam down center of pants to form the legs. Use the yarn for the feet to finish the center seam to the base of the pocket pal. Stuff each leg separately. Sew bottom of legs closed.

Bless your completed Pal with a prayer or intention for the child who will receive it. Then pack it carefully and send it (along with your name & e-mail address so we can acknowledge receipt) to:

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