



Focus: *Might*

Needle and Yarn Arts – Loom Knitting

Level 3

Define Objective:

Learn how to increase or decrease stitches or change colors of yarn on a knitting loom. Complete one of the following projects to demonstrate the skills mentioned above.

- Baby Hooded Blanket
- Toddler Sweater
- Afghan Shawl
- Mommy and Me Blanket

(Patterns for creating these items with the Knifty Knitter looms are available from Provo Craft, "Loom Crafts" by Sharron Erling)

Discovery:

The following techniques will help you achieve a high quality product:

- Be careful to not wrap the yarn too tightly around the loom. Pull the yarn from the skein and keep a small pile of yarn in your lap to prevent the yarn from being pulled too tightly.
- Select appropriate weight of yarn for the project.
- After taking the bottom loop over the top loop, push the remaining loop to the bottom of the peg to lengthen the distance between the loop and the next loop to be wrapped.
- Use the proper number of threads at one time as indicated on the pattern.
- Count rows and stitches carefully to obtain the right size pieces.
- Tie yarn ends together with a square knot when adding new colors.
- Weave all loose ends back into the project when finished knitting.

Skill Practice:

Items Made	Time Spent	Money Spent and Materials Used

Evaluate: What did you learn while you practiced? What do you want to remember for your next attempt?

Share what you have learned with others: Decide how you will share your new skills and insights with others. Some things to consider are: craft projects or other art form can be exhibited at your county fair, provide a demonstration or presentation to your family or peers.
