Finger Puppets

## **Standard Machine**

- Yarn: 3 Ply, Trenzi, Bebe
- Tension 6 or 7
- Amount: very small amount
- SR = Silver Reed Machines
- BR = Brother or Knitking Machines



E wrap cast on 19 needles 9-0-10. Knit 1 row. Starting from the side of your carriage, select every other needle until you have 4 selected. Take the tail of yarn from the cast on and weave it over and under the selected needles. When you knit the next row, the tail will be hidden so all you need to do is clip what is not woven in.

The carriage is on the right. Knit 15 rows.

Set the carriage to Hold or Russel Levers to 1 each side.

**Arms -** Pull all needles on the left to D (SR) or (BR) except 8 next to the carriage. Knit 1 row.

The carriage is on the left. Pull 5 needles on the edge to hold. You are knitting on 3 needles. Knit 7 rows. Using a 1 prong tool - Pick up 3 stitches from the first row of the arm and hang on the needles in work.

The carriage is on the right. Push the next 6 needles into work C (SR) or D (BR) in the center. Knit 1 row. Pull all but 3 needles to hold opposite the carriage. Knit 7 rows. Pick up 3 stitches from the first for of the arm and hang on the needles in work.

Knit 1 row. The carriage is on the left. Cancel the hold levers and knit 2 rows plain.

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**Mouth -** If you want to make a mouth (I don't usually). Manually knit the center 3 needles in a contrast color. Knit 2 more rows.

**Eyes -** You can do them now or do them by hand after you are finished. If doing them now, select needles 1left and 2 right of -0-. Using a heavier yarn or double the yarn you are using and manually knit these stitches. Tie the 2 tails of yarn in a knot and clip fairly close to the knot. Carriage on the left.

Knit 5 more rows plain. Cut yarn leaving enough to sew the seam.

Using a double eye tool or yarn needle, thread with your yarn tail, remove all stitches by catching each on your tool and sliding onto the yarn.

Draw up tight and stitch to secure.

I stitch a small pompom (purchased in bags at the craft store) to the top or latch a few yarns in the to the top for hair or a ribbon. You can add a hand stitched mouth if you like. You can make these pretty or Wild. <u>Do this before sewing the seam. Much easier.</u>

Sew the seam. Hide your yarn tail.

If you make them shorter or taller or a stitch or 2 wider, it won't matter. They all work great. *Let your imagination go wild.* 

PS – I made white ones for ghosts to give at Halloween to those that couldn't have sugar.