Noah's Ark Hats
small/medium preemie/newborn sizes using dpns or 2 needles
(adjustments for med preemie & newborn in parenthesis)

needed:
k needles: 3.5mm (US 4)
k MC: approx ½ ounce sports weight/baby yarn
CC: less than 1/2 ounce
gauge: 12 st/14 r = 2" in stockinette

all yarn requirements are approximate
for toddler sizes, try larger needles and worsted weight yarn.
additional rows above and below motifs will be required
for adequate crown depth.

abbreviations:
k: knit
p: purl
skp: slip 1, knit 1, pass stitch over—one stitch decreased
spp: slip 1, purl 1, pass stitch over—one stitch decreased

double point instructions:
cast on 60 (75, 80) stitches and join to
form a circle, being careful not to twist.
select and knit border
choice of borders:
ribbed edge: k2, p1 across for 6 rounds
rolled edge: knit around for 10 rounds
seed stitch edge: k1, p1 around
k1, p1 around
repeat until a total of 6 rounds are completed
crown:
knit 2 (4, 6) rounds
knot around, using desired chart for color
changes
knot 4 (6, 8) rounds
decreases:
rd 1: *k10 (13, 14), skp. repeat from * around
rd 2: *k9 (12, 13), skp. repeat from * around
rd 3: *k8 (11, 12), skp. repeat from * around
continue working decreases until 5 stitches remain
finishing:
top knot: knit all stitches for 8 rows (about ½")
cut 18" tail and thread through loops
pull tight, knit and weave through inside of
stitches to secure. clip yarn.
weave in end from cast on stitches and clip.
no top knot: simply cut 18" tail and thread
through loops
pull tight, knit and weave through inside of
stitches to secure.
weave side closed.
weave in end from cast on stitches and clip.
top with pom pon, crocheted yo-yo, or
other favourite topper.

2-needle instructions:
cast on 60 (75, 80) stitches.
select and knit border
choice of borders:
ribbed edge:
k1, p1 across
k1, p1, k1 across
repeat until a total of 6 rows are completed.
end with 2nd row (wrong side)
rolled edge:
k across
p across
repeat until a total of 10 rows are completed.
end having completed 2nd row (wrong side)
seed stitch edge:
k1, p1 across for 6 rows
repeat until a total of 6 rows are completed.
end with 2nd row (wrong side)
crown:
work in stockinette stitch for 2 (4, 6)
rows
work in stockinette stitch, using desired
chart (all 10 rows) for color changes
work in stockinette stitch for 4 (6, 8)
rows
decreases:
row 1: *k10 (13, 14), skp. repeat from * across.
row 2: *p9 (12, 13), spp. repeat from * across.
row 3: *k8 (11, 12), skp. repeat from * across.
continue working decreases until 5 stitches remain

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chart thoughts -- if you’re not crazy about stranded knitting, here’s a few ideas

- use a duplicate stitch
- cross stitch using yarn
- for the contrast on the ladybug, use french knots (or beads for older babies & toddlers) for the spots and make the head with a satin stitch. Straight lines form the antenna with small stitches across the top. This is how the hat in the picture was created.

repeat chart 4 (5, 5) times

SIZE LARGE ONLY: add an MC stitch between each motif (3 stitches total)

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