

## Making a Yarn Hat With Grace!

### Supplies for activities needed:

- Yarn of your choice
- Paper towel/toilet paper roll
- Cotton balls
- Scissors (either child-friendly or with a parents help)
- Ruler

### Activity Name: Yarn Hat

- **School Readiness Outcomes (SRO) goals met:**
  - Beginning reading – being able to read the letters on the ruler to properly cut the roll & string
  - Plans complex activities – following two or more steps to create the yarn hat
  - Identifying patterns – being able to alternate between each color of string (if 2 colors are used)
- **Instructions**
  1. Gather the needed materials from the supplies list
  2. Grab the roll, and cut off ½ inch of it using the ruler
    - a. Look at the inches side of your ruler!
  3. Now, get your yarn & cut 40, 10 inch pieces using your ruler
    - a. If you have 1 color of yarn, cut 40 pieces
    - b. If you have 2 colors of yarn, cut 20 pieces of each color, for 40 pieces total
  4. Once the yarn is cut, begin to loop it around the roll
    - a. Fold it, wrap it around the roll, make a loop, and then pull the ends through with your fingers
    - b. Repeat the process until the roll is filled!
  5. After the roll is filled, push the yarn through the other end
  6. Take an extra piece of string and tie it around the yarn ends, creating a knot
  7. Stick the cotton balls in the bottom of the hat
  8. Trim the extra yarn ends, and you are done!

- **Extension Activity Ideas**

- To decrease difficulty – If there are challenges in fine motor control, have the child complete the activity with a sibling/adult to help with this
- To increase difficulty – Add more colors of yarn to the hat, so the children can engage in more pattern use

