

# InterKnit Machine Knitting Guild

## Education Series

### SERIES TWO: INCREASES, DECREASES AND SHORT ROWS

The next series of samples will allow you to make a basic sweater with ease. Practice them turn in your best samples in January!

Continue your exercises and samples using Diana Sullivan's video, "Beginning Machine Knitting course available at [www.diananatters.blogspot.com](http://www.diananatters.blogspot.com), or on you tube under Beginning Lessons at [www.youtube.com/user/dianaknits/playlists](http://www.youtube.com/user/dianaknits/playlists) You will be knitting swatches for each of the following lessons:

16. Increasing and Decreasing
17. Short Rowing a Toe
18. Short Row Shoulder Method #1
19. Short Row Shoulder Method #2
20. Short Row a Dart

Create samples following the directions for cast on stitches. Be sure to use the video for additional techniques, carriage position, holding methods, needle wrapping and row counts. Need help with further directions? Contact Sharon at [smscalise55@gmail.com](mailto:smscalise55@gmail.com)

#### **SAMPLE INSTRUCTIONS:**

##### **SAMPLE #8: INCREASE METHODS (LESSON 16)**

- A. EXTRA NEEDLE ON CARRIAGE SIDE: Cast On 10 sts. K 5 rows. Increase 8x each side for a total of 16 increases. K 2 rows in contrast yarn and continue to B.
- B. MOVE A STITCH OUT AND FILL IN THE HOLE: Increase 8x each side for a total of 16 increases. Bind off. Block sample and compare increase styles.

##### **SAMPLE #9: FULL FASHION INCREASE METHODS (LESSON 16)**

- A. 2 PRONG FULL FASHION INCREASE: Cast On 10 sts. K 5 rows. Increase 8x each side for a total of 16 increases. K2 rows in contrast yarn and continue to B.
- B. 3 PRONG FULL FASHION INCREASE: Increase 8x each side for a total of 16 increases. Bind off.

**SAMPLE #10: DECREASE METHODS (LESSON 16)**

- A. Cast on 45 sts. Decrease 8x each side for a total of 16 decreases. K2 rows in contrast yarn and continue to B.
- B. Decrease 8x each side for a total of 16 decreases. Bind off.

**SAMPLE #11: FULL FASHION DECREASE METHODS (LESSON 16)**

- A. 2 PRONG FULL FASHION DECREASE: CAST ON 45 sts. Decrease 8x each side for a total of 16 decreases. K2 rows in contrast yarn and continue to B.
- B. 3 PRONG FULL FASHION DECREASE: Decrease 8x each side for a total of 16 decreases. Bind off.

**SAMPLE #12: SHORT ROW TOE (LESSON 17)**

Cast on 16 sts. K 5 rows . Refer to the holding method with your machine. Follow Diana's video for wrapping stitches, carriage position and short rowing using her pattern.. Short row decrease 1 needle on each side until 4 center rows are left in work. Increase until all needles are back in work. K5 rows and bind off.

**SAMPLE #13: SHORT ROW SHOULDER METHOD #1 (LESSON 17)**

Cast on 16 sts. Refer to holding method with your machine. Follow Diana's video for wrapping stitches, carriage position and short rowing using her pattern. Bind off.

**SAMPLE #14: SHORT ROW SHOULDER METHOD #2 (LESSON 18)**

Cast on 16 sts. Refer to holding method with your machine. Follow Diana's video for wrapping stitches, carriage position and short rowing using her pattern. Bind off.

**SAMPLE #15: SHORT ROW A DART (LESSON 19)**

Cast on 17sts. K 15 rows. Refer to holding decreases and increases on Diana's video to create dart. After dart is completed, K10 rows and bind off.

Block all samples and be sure to add information about your yarn, gauges, swatch measurements, etc.