

# ARTHUR'S Knitting Business



## Beginner knitting abbreviations

The following abbreviations are most commonly found in beginner patterns

**RS** - Right side of your work, this is the side of the work you want seen when finished

**WS** - wrong side of the work, this is the side you will not see when finished

**CO** - Cast on, this means to create your stitches

**BO** - Bind off, another term for casting off

**K** - Knit stitch

**P** - Purl stitch

**K2TOG** - Knit 2 stitches together, a stitch decrease

**P2TOG** - Purl 2 stitches together, a stitch decrease

**SL** - slip stitch, literally move the stitch from the holding needle to the working needle

**PSSO** - Pass slipped stitch over, a stitch decrease

**SSK** - Slip, slip knit, a stitch decreases which changes the direction of your stitch

**YO** - yarn over, a stitch increase technique

**MO** - make a new stitch, use any stitch increase technique you think will work

**Rem** - Remaining stitches (how many you have left after the row)

**Rep** - Repeat, this may be used when a stitch pattern is repeated in the same row

**Beg** - Beginning of the row, e.g. increase stitch at beg of next 4 rows

**Inc** - increase, add a stitch

**Dec** - decrease, remove a stitch

**Cont** - Continue, e.g. K1, P1, cont. until end of row

**PM** - Place marker, a marker is a useful tool to identify specific parts of your pattern



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