



# Bad Hair Day Finger Puppet

Pattern for use by kind permission of Elaine Jones

A fun little puppet to stimulate conversation, imagination and creativity as a child plays and talks with the puppet.



## Materials and Tools

- Scraps of light worsted weight yarn (American)/DK (UK)/8 ply (Aus)yarn in brown, dark brown and a bright colour for the body
- Tiny amount of pink yarn for mouth
- 3 mm/US D crochet hook
- Yarn needle
- Stitch marker (optional)

## Notes

- Weave in ends as work progresses.
- The pattern is worked in rounds from the top down without joining.
- Gauge is not important but 5 sc and 5 rows = approx. 1" (2.5cm)

## Instructions

### HEAD & BODY

With brown, ch 4 and sl st in first ch to form ring. Work 6 sc into ring (do not join here and throughout).  
Alternative method: make a magic ring.

**Rnd 1:** Work 6 sc into ring (do not join here and throughout).

**Rnd 2:** 2 sc in each sc around. (12 sc)

**Rnd 3:** \*sc in next 2 sc, 2 sc in next sc\*. Rep from \* to \* 3 times. (16 sc)

## Abbreviations

Note: Pattern uses American terminology

American	= British
slip stitch (sl st)	= single crochet (sc)
single crochet (sc)	= double crochet (dc)

## Special Stitches

**Sc dec:** single crochet decrease. Insert hook into next stitch, yarn over and draw through once. Insert hook into next stitch, yarn over and draw through once. Yarn over and draw through all three loops on hook.

## Instructions (cont'd.)

**Rnd 4:** Sc in each sc around. (16 sc)

**Rnd 5:** Rep rnd 4.

**Rnd 6:** Rep rnd 4.

**Rnd 7:** \*sc in each of next 2 sc, sc dec over next 2 sc\*. Rep from \* to \* 3 times. (12 sc)

**Rnd 8:** \*sc in next sc, sc dec over next 2 sc. Rep from \* to \* 3 times (8 sc). On last stitch, change to body colour.

**Rnd 9:** Using body colour, 2 sc in each sc around. (16 sc)

**Rnd 10:** Sc in each sc around.

**Rnds 11-15:** Rep rnd 10. Fasten off and weave in ends.

## ARMS

Join body colour with sl st around the post of any sc in the first round of the body. Ch 6. Skip first 2 ch, sc in 3rd ch from hook and each of next 3 ch. Sl st in same place on body as join. Fasten off.

**Tip:** Keep tension loose when working sc here to prevent the arms curling. Fasten off and weave in ends. Make another arm on the opposite side of the body.

## HAIR

Cut 9–10 strands of dark brown yarn approx. 2.5" long. Fold strand in half, insert hook around post of sc in the first row of the head, draw yarn at fold through st on hook to form a loop, draw cut ends through loop on hook, pull gently to secure.

Rep with remaining strands around first and second rows of head at random. Cut ends to equal lengths.

## FACE

Embroider eyes with dark brown yarn in satin stitch as shown. Make a V stitch for the mouth with a scrap of pink yarn.

## Variation

Change the body colour and hair length to create unique and individual finger puppets.

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