Penguin Hat
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Materials:
1 skein Cascade 220, black, colour 8555
oddments of Cascade 220, white, colour 8505
oddments of Cascade 220, yellow, colour 7827
two 1 cm/half inch white buttons

Hat:
Work body of hat in black, colour 8555. Use Pad Pattern EPA10-01 Basic Flap Hat.

White patch:
With white, colour 8505, cast on 29 sts.
Row 1 (RS): Knit.
Row 2 (WS): Purl.
Repeat the above 2 rows 4 times more.
Decrease row 1 (RS): Ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog.
Decrease row 2 (WS): P2tog tbl, p to last 2 sts, p2tog.
(Note: if you're struggling with p2tog tbl, just work p2tog instead.)
Repeat the last 2 rows until 9 sts rem. Cast off.

Beak:
With yellow and dpns, cast on 12 sts. Distribute across needles and join for working in the round. Note or mark beginning of round.

Work 9 rounds even.

Decrease round 1: *K2tog, k2; rep from * to end of round. 9 sts.
Work 1 round even.
Decrease round 3: *K2tog, k1; rep from * to end of round. 6 sts.
Work 1 round even.
Decrease round 5: K2tog 3 times. Cut yarn and draw through final 3 sts to close.

Finishing:
Sew white patch centred on front of hat, with cast-on edge placed right along the i-cord edging.
Stuff beak lightly with scraps of yarn, and sew to front of head at top of centre of white patch.

Sew on buttons either side of beak, about 1 inch up from top of white patch, about 1 inch apart. Use photo as a guide.