ORIGINAL GARMENT: 6 - 7 years.

MATERIALS:
7(8,9) Balls **ADORE** 100g
Colour - 8296

6mm Crochet hook
6.5mm Crochet hook
Stitch markers
2 x 25mm Buttons

MEASUREMENTS:
Sizes: 4 - 5 years (6 - 7 years, 8 - 9 years)
To fit actual chest: 58(64,67)cm
All round measurements:
Chest: 63(70,73)cm
Length to shoulder: 50(52,55)cm
Sleeve length: 33(35,36)cm

TENSION:
12sts x 7rows = 10x10cm working with a 6mm crochet hook and in htr's.

ABBREVIATIONS:
2trtog – two treble together, **beg –** begin(ing), **ch –** chain, **chsp(s) –** chain, space(s), **cont –** continue, **dec -** decrease, **inc -** increase, **fptr –** front post treble, **rem -** remain(ing), **rep -** repeat, **rnd(s) -** round(s), **RS –** right side, **sk –** skip, **st –** stitch, **tr –** treble, **yo -** yarn over, **WS –** wrong side

NOTES:
The cardigan/coat is designed to be a fairly loose fit, with easily adjustable body and sleeve lengths.
Start each row with ch3 (= 1st st).

STITCHES USED:
Increase (inc)
Work the 1st st of the row. In the next st, work 2sts. Work across row until 2sts rem. Work 2sts in the 2nd last st, work last st.

Decrease (dec)
Work the 1st st of the row. Work 2trtog over the next 2sts. Work across row until 3sts rem. Work 2trtog over the next 2sts, work last st.

Front post treble (fptr)
This st is completed around the post of the indicated st and not the top 2 loops as per normal. Yo, insert hook from front to back and back to front around the post of the indicated st, and complete the tr as per normal.

PATTERN:
BACK:
With 6mm crochet hook, loosely make 55(59,62)ch.
1st Row: (WS), Insert hook in the 4th ch from hook and make tr, tr in each ch across. (= 53(57,60)tr)
2nd Row: Ch3, *fptr around next st, tr in next st*, rep from * across.
3rd Row: Ch3, tr in each st across, AT THE SAME TIME dec st at the beg and end of this and every 3rd row, a total of 9 times. (= 35(39,42)sts)
Rep 2nd - 3rd row another 4 times to create the textured border, thereafter work only in tr rows, until all the dec are completed.
Next rows: Cont straight until piece measures 50(52,55)cm or desired length. Fasten off.

LEFT FRONT:
With 6mm crochet hook, loosely make 39(41,43)ch.
1st Row: (WS), Insert hook in the 4th ch from hook and make tr, tr in each ch across. (= 37(39,41)tr)
2nd Row: Ch3, *fptr around next st, tr in next st*, rep from * across. Before turning your work, place a stitch marker at the beg of the row.
3rd Row: Ch3, tr in each st across, AT THE SAME TIME dec st at the beg and end of this and every 3rd row, a total of 3 times, and dec st at the edge marked with a stitch marker a total of 6 times.
Rep 2nd - 3rd row another 4 times to create the textured border, thereafter work only in tr rows, until all the dec are completed. (= 25(27,29)sts)
Next rows: Cont straight until piece measures 50(52,55)cm or desired length. Fasten off.

RIGHT FRONT:
With 6mm crochet hook, loosely make 44(47,49)ch.

1st Row: (WS), Insert hook in the 4th ch from hook and make tr, tr in each ch across. (= 42(45, 47tr)
2nd Row: Ch3, *fptr around next st, tr in next st*, rep from * across. Before turning your work, place a stitch marker at the end of the row.
3rd Row: Ch3, tr in each st across, at the same time dec st at the beg and end of this and every 3rd row, a total of 3 times, and dec st at the edge marked with a stitch marker a total of 6 times.
Rep 2nd - 3rd row another 4 times to create the textured border, thereafter work only in tr rows, until all the dec are completed. (= 30(33,35)sts)
Next rows: Cont straight until piece measures 50(52,55)cm or desired length. Fasten off.

SLEEVES: (MAKE 2)
With 6mm crochet hook, loosely make 25(29,33)ch.
1st Row: (WS), Insert hook in the 4th ch from hook and make tr, tr in each ch across. (= 23(27,31)tr)
2nd Row: Ch3, *fptr around next st, tr in next st*, rep from * across.
3rd Row: Ch3, tr in each st across, turn.
Rep 2nd - 3rd row twice, and row 2 once, to create the textured border, thereafter work only in tr rows, until all the inc are completed, AT THE SAME TIME inc st at the beg and end on the 7th row and thereafter every 3rd row, a total of 5 times. (= 33(37,41)sts)
Next rows: Cont straight until piece measures 33(35,36)cm or desired length. Fasten off.

FINISH UP:
With RS facing, sew the left front and right front to the back, leaving an 11(12,13)cm neck opening.
Fold the sleeves in half lengthways. Place the midway point on the shoulder seam, RS facing, pin in place and sew together.

With RS facing, pin the sleeve and side seams and sew together.

COLLAR:
Rejoin yarn at the colour with a 6.5mm crochet hook. Work 3 rows of tr around the neckline.
Fasten off.

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