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# Beginner lessons for Casting On

Master the Art of Casting On for Knitting Success!

## DEFINITION

> Casting on is the technique used to create the first row of stitches on your knitting needle. It sets the foundation for your entire knitting project.

## KEY CONCEPTS

### Slip Knot

The slip knot is the first stitch you make to start casting on. It secures the yarn to the needle.

### Long Tail Cast On

This popular method uses a long tail of yarn for a stretchy and neat edge. It's efficient for beginners.

### Knitted Cast On

This method creates a firmer edge and is done by knitting into the stitches directly on the needle.

### Casting On Stitches

You can cast on any number of stitches depending on your project requirements, usually in multiples.

### Tension Control

Maintaining consistent tension while casting on is crucial for even stitches and a neat edge.

## EXAMPLES

→ Cast on 20 stitches using the long tail method.

→ Create a slip knot before starting your project.

→ Use the knitted cast on for a firmer edge.

## MEMORY TIPS

★ Remember 'Slip, Loop, Pull' for the slip knot process.

★ Think 'Long Tail = Stretchy Edge' for the long tail cast on.

★ Visualize 'Knitting into the Needle' for the knitted cast on method.

## COMMON MISTAKES

✗ Using too short a tail for the long tail cast on.

✗ Casting on too tightly, making it hard to knit the first row.

✗ Forgetting to secure the slip knot properly.

## QUICK RECAP

Casting on is essential for starting any knitting project. Focus on mastering the slip knot and long tail cast on for a solid foundation. Avoid common mistakes like tight tension to ensure a successful start.