

Sonnet Scroll

Cast On, an *ovillejo**
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—*for Adeline*

Design a pattern. Use your wit
as you knit.

Don't count the hours, the reknit rows.
Dream fingers, toes.

The blanket grows—each knit and purl
for *Baby Girl*

who'll some day tiptoe, spin, and twirl.
Soon Mom will swaddle her in blue
and yellow softness knit by you.
As you knit, dream fingers, toes, for *Baby Girl*.

**Ovillejo* or “tangled ball of yarn,” an old Spanish verse form.
—Rhina P. Espailat