

- n. When 80–90% of the tire bead is in place, use a tire mounting mallet (heavy rubber, leather or plastic hammer) to force the remaining section into position. Avoid using tire irons or screw drivers for this operation as inner tube punctures will result.
- o. Insert the valve core and overinflate the standard pressure by approximately 10 psi (0.7kg/cm<sup>2</sup>). This will help to properly seat the tire beads onto the rim. Inspect for proper tire bead seating and deflate the tire. Reinflate to the specified pressure (see page 24) and tighten the valve stem retaining nut.
- p. Recheck the tire pressure and install the valve stem cap.
- q. Install wheel assembly as per instructions on pages 72–73.

**NOTE:** We recommend that tire removal

and installation be performed by an authorized Honda dealer, as these operations require skill and special tools.

### Front Fork Oil Change

To maintain good riding characteristics and increase fork service life, the oil in the front fork should be changed periodically.

1. Unscrew the front fork drain plug ① at the bottom of fork cylinder. Drain the oil by pumping the fork while plug is out. Replace the plug securely after draining.
2. Set the motorcycle on the center stand.
3. Place a jack under the crankcase to control lowering of the front end.
4. Remove the handlebar by removing the four handlebar bolts.
5. Unscrew the fork filler plugs ② until free.