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## Heirloom Hat Collection

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Myself  
Logan, Utah  
November 30, 2018

**Title: Heirloom Hat Collection**

**Genre: Material Culture- Objects of Customary Use**

**Informant:**

My name is Brittany Fitzgerald. I am a 19-year-old undergraduate in my third semester at Utah State University and intend to double major in English and Anthropology. I was born and raised in Davis County, Utah, and spent a year living in Livermore, California when I was 8. I was raised Mormon, in a large extended family, nearly all of whom are also active members. I am pretty close with cousins on both sides of my family, and am one of the oldest cousins. My favorite hobbies are handicrafts, writing, and drawing, and I love retro and vintage clothing.

**Context:**

These hats belonged to my Great-Grandma Hoffmeister. After she died they were passed to my grandparents, who gave them to my mother, who gave them to me.

**Text:**





Texture:

These hats were initially put in my grandma's "dress-up" box that the grandkids used to play in. Then they were given to my mom to use as home décor, along with other family heirlooms like gloves and teapots. In high school, I started to really enjoy wearing hats with my outfits, and wanted one to wear to my Homecoming dance, and my mom gave me these hats to choose between, and I've kept them since.

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