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Collective Intelligence

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EPISODIC BREAKDOWN

1. The Top Picks of '06

We've gone straight to the experts, collectors, and those in the know here on Collective Intelligence, to bring you the "Top Picks of '06." We've searched through categories as diverse as furniture, action figures,

sports memorabilia, and wine to pick the ten items of 2006 that'll stand the test of time.

2. Vinyl Records

Here we have the top 20 tips you need to know to collect vinyl records. We go straight to the collectors, experts and those in-the know to get in the groove with this vinyl phenomenon and bring it all to you here on Collective Intelligence.

3. Comic Books

Comic books are more than kid stuff. They can be big business for collectors and obsession for fans and we are here to tell you all about them. From Superman to The Hulk, from the Fantastic Four to The X

men, we will reveal the secrets of all your favorite super heroes and of course, they are not just for geeks, comic book collectors are all around us.

4. Coins

Coin collecting, otherwise known as numismatics can certainly seem confusing but that's all about to change. We went straight to the collectors, the experts and those in the know to get their two

cents and bring it all to you here on Collective Intelligence. The top 20 tips you need to know to collect coins.

5. Mechanical Banks & Toys

Collecting toys is just another fun way of preserving that little bit of the past, so take a hint from the child inside and go get yourselves some mechanical banks and toys. As for where to go and what to get, well, that's what we're here for. We went straight to the collectors, the experts, and those in the know to pick their brains and we bring it all to you here on Collective Intelligence. The top 20 tips you need to know to collect mechanical banks and toys. From Mickey Mouse to Robby the Robot, there are a lot of playthings out there for you to collect.

6. Baseball Memorabilia

Baseball is ingrained in the culture of America and its favorite game is also the most collected. Fans have been collecting artifacts since the first recorded game in 1846. What once were keepsakes are now the currency for a thriving collectible's business. We went straight to the collectors, experts and those in the know for the 20 tips you need to know to collect baseball memorabilia.

7. 20th Century Photography

Many believe a picture is worth a thousand words. It's life. It's fine art. It's so many things depending on who is shooting at what time, where, and what. So, when it comes to collecting, where do you go? And, how do you get it? Well, that's what we're here for. We went straight to the collectors, the experts, and those in the know to pick their brains for the top 20 tips you need to know to collect 20th Century photographs.

8. Antique Dolls

They've been our companions, playmates, and confidants but dolls are also one of the world's most popular collectibles. Antique dolls offer a fascinating window into the past and for the collector, antique dolls have a special attraction. At Collective Intelligence, we're ready to take you by the hand and welcome you to the doll house. We went to the experts, collectors, and enthusiasts to bring you the top 20 tips you need to know to collect antique dolls.

9. Antique Fishing Lures

Fishing lures were invented as a simple way to put fish on a table so are very useful, but did you know they also happen to be extremely collectible. Any kind of lure could be collected from the very beginning of fishing lures 1850's up until the 1980's. With over 100 years of history, collecting lures maybe a bit intimidating to the novice. We went to the experts, collectors, and those in the know for the 20 tips you need to know to collect vintage fishing lures.

10. Antiquarian Maps

An antique map tells us about the world as it was developing: new discoveries, corrected paths, even political intrigues are reflected in these painstakingly handmade pages. With today's technology, we can access our route on the internet or via satellite. Many antique maps survived today and collecting them has become extremely popular. We went straight to the collectors, experts, and those in the know to help you navigate the world of cartography.

11. Stamps

Stamps, whoever gives them a second thought? The answer is philatelists and there are plenty of them. These tiny works of art that are so often taken for granted by the masses can be beautiful, whimsical and very, very collectible. Get ready to take notes because we went to the experts, collectors, and those of them who know to bring you everything you need know about stamp collection.

12. Baseball Cards

Baseball is a very exciting game. This great American sport is also the most collectible, and nothing in baseball is harder to collect than the cards. Everybody has their favorite player, their favorite teams, and it's a good past time. It gives kids something to look forward to. It's a great affordable hobby and you don't have to be a millionaire in order to have a nice collection. Here we have the top 20 tips on Collecting Baseball Cards.

13. Watches

Watches are functional, four dimensional objects of art. It's a piece of art because of the quality, the history and the way it is made and that mix of practicality and craftsmanship makes a vintage watch something to collect. Watches provide every collector something that can express their own unique passion and connoisseurship. So how do you find that vintage mechanical wonder? We went to the experts, collectors and those in the know for the inside scoop.

14. Wine

Red or white? Spanish or South African? The true collector will always have something of everything, but not every bottle is built for collecting. Some wines are made for immediate consumption, some are not. So how do you know which wines to sip up and which to lie away? We've ventured deep into the cellar to visit the collectors, the experts and those in the know to uncork it all for you. So grab a glass, sit back and enjoy.

15. 20th Century Books

20th century literature is a great focus for collectors. There is a certain familiarity. Most collectors of 20th century literature strive for first editions and it can bring big bucks at auction, but for most collectors it's not about the money. When you hold the first edition, you're holding the original, physical embodiment of that creation. We went straight to the collectors to bring you the top 20 tips on collecting 20th century books in literature.

16. Tiffany Lamps

Louis Comfort Tiffany was America's foremost glass designer and the lamps he made are still the most sought after collectibles in the world. He created a sense of beauty for the home, mostly the American home, that changed the way we looked at color and form and managed to turn an ordinary object into a masterpiece. These famous lamps are also widely forged and tough to find so we went to the experts, collectors, and those in the know to light the way as we bring you the Top 20 Tips for Collecting Tiffany lamps.

17. Muscle Cars

The cars that captured the country during the 60's and the 70's are back with the vengeance. But when it comes to collecting the cars how do you know exactly how to get in the gear? Well, you could let us straighten it out for you. We sped right on over to the collectors, the experts and those in the know to bring it all back to you here on Collective Intelligence. The top 20 tips you need to know to collect muscle cars.

18. American Quilts

The first American quilts were stitched together by the colonists with fabrics from Europe. And even though men ruled the roost, this was one craft dominated by the fairer sex, because it was essentially a feminine activity. It is a great reflection of women's history and women's participation in the emergence of an American identity. When people want to take something home that's uniquely American, they'll often buy a quilt and it's hard to stop at just one.

19. Antique Radios

Perhaps the most important invention in the history of communications was the radio. Without radio, we wouldn't have electricity in the home. We wouldn't have T.V. We wouldn't have cable. We wouldn't have high definition. Antique radios have something for everyone and when it comes to collecting, Marconi and De Forest are the two prized inventors that you want to collect. Here we have the top twenty tips for collecting antique radios.

20. Vintage Cameras

For nearly 200 years, we've been taking pictures. Today we take these devices for granted. They're small, digital. They're everywhere and everyone has one – cameras. There's a certain excitement in camera collecting. It's the joy you get when you find something rare or something you didn't expect to find. So how do you know which cameras will increase in value and which ones won't? We go to the collectors, experts, and those in the know to find out the Top 20 Tips on collecting vintage cameras.

21. Halloween

Halloween began as a paving, harvest festival. That was the time when people that they were visited by the souls and spirits of love ones and friends that they've lost. Today, it has evolved into probably the most fun holiday of the year. It's easy to see why people fall on under the Halloween spell and it makes for some great collecting. How do you make sure you get the treat and not the trick? We went to the collectors and experts to find out the top 20 tips on collecting Halloween treats.

22. Model Trains

There's always some sort of a fascination with trains. They're fun to watch. They pump smoke, they blow whistles. Trains do command a certain amount of attention. And if you collect them, the prices they demand might just shock you. But how do you know where to go, what to buy and how to keep them safe. Well, we're here to put you on the right track. We headed straight to the collectors, the experts, and those in the know to bring you the top 20 tips you need to know to collect model trains.

23. Bakelite

It was one of the greatest inventions of the 20th century, it was bright, durable and completely synthetic, it was Bakelite. In the early 20s to the early 40s it was primarily the material used and was seen in houses all the time. Its like unlike anything that is produced today. Now its considered to be the ultimate in art deco chic and in the world of collecting, nothing compares to the passion for this plastic. We've gone straight to the collectors, experts and those in the know here on collective intelligence to bring you the top 20 tips on collecting Bakelite.

24. Depression Glass

The 1930s brought great hardship, times were tough, and money was scarce. In the midst of great turmoil, glass companies found a product that would survive the tough times and the test of times.

Once a give away item, now a prized possession - Depression Glass. We will go to the collectors, experts, and those who do know to find out why it's one of the largest collecting categories known to men.

25. Advertising Posters

Advertising posters are all around us. The first mass production of posters dates back to Paris in the 1870s where there was a great deal of construction going on so there were a lot of buildings boarded up, meaning a lot of walls on which to put posters. Posters were the principal means of advertising your product. Today in the collecting world, there is a poster for everybody. We went straight to the collectors, experts and those in the know to bring you the 20 tips you need to know for collecting vintage advertising posters.

26. Antique Teddy Bears

It's hard to believe that children ever grew up without a teddy bear to hug, but these lovable sidekicks are a 20th century creation—younger than cars, instant coffee, or even vacuum cleaners. Now antique teddy bears are among the most competitive of collecting categories—and they don't come cheap. They can go to thousands of dollars and you can get in a lot of trouble by buying a bear thinking that you have something when it really isn't. We went to the collectors, experts, and those in the know to bring you the top 20 tips on collecting antique teddy bears.

27. Vintage Motorcycles

Motorcycles are considered antique if they're 35 years old or older. With the history that predates the automobile, it's not surprising that older bikes can sell for upwards of six figures. But why collect any of them? Not only are they a crazy ride, they're also widely popular and extremely collectible. Starting your collection may feel like a bumpy ride, so to make sure you don't skid out, we went to the collectors, the experts, and those in the know to bring you the top 20 tips on collecting antique motorcycles.

28. Rock Collecting

Since the stone age, people have made use of the minerals found in the earth. We've dug for them, built with them and adorned ourselves with them and its no secret that rocks and minerals are collectible. The bottom line is that they're just fundamentally beautiful. In this episode we left no stone unturned. We went to the collectors, the experts and those in the know to dig up the collective intelligence and the top 20 tips for collecting rocks and minerals.

29. Orchids

The orchid family is the largest of all flowering plants. People will literally go to the ends of the earth to find that exceptional precious flower. Orchid hunters have even died trying to catch a glimpse of the rare bloom. Why the frenzied obsession with this marvelous plant? Why is one worth thousands of dollars, while another could be had for a mere 25 bucks? Why does the sensual blossom captivate the very soul? We've gone straight to the experts, the collectors, growers and those in the know to bring you that top 20 tips on collecting orchids.

30. American Silver

Take one part art, one part precious metal, add a pinch of patriotism, and you get American Silver. With a base of traditions handed down from the old country, American silversmiths made it their own.

We took a shine to silver and went to the collectors, the experts, and those in the know to dust off the collective intelligence and the top 20 tips to collecting American Silver.

31. Tropical Fish

Tropical fish, they're amazing and it seems people get hooked on them. Fish are the second largest hobby in the United States next to photography. Whether you're keeping fresh or saltwater, corals or koi, the effect is always the same. The colors, it's just breathtaking. Here we've got a full tank of show for you, so sit back, relax, and get ready to fall hook, line, and sinker for tropical fish. We'll tell you how to keep them healthy and happy and their water clean and clear right here on Collective Intelligence.

32. Vintage Costume Jewelry

There's nothing like a mink coat or jewelry to give a lady a lift, and with this costume jewelry you can forget the mink. For as long as there's been jewelry, women have been faking it with costume. From Hollywood classics to grandma's brooch, vintage custom jewelry adorns collections the world over. We've gone straight to the experts, collectors, and those in the know here on Collective Intelligence to bring you the top 20 tips on collecting vintage costume jewelry.

33. Civil War Memorabilia

In 1861, a battle began that would forever alter the course of American history. It was Americans fighting Americans, and that's something that a lot of people find fascinating. So fascinating, in fact, that only a piece of the civil war has come to have a special meaning for collectors. People like to collect artifacts from the civil war because a lot of people have ancestors who fought in the civil war. Everything a soldier wore, wrote, or used in battle is collectible, but how do you know exactly what to buy, where to go, and maybe even how to keep yourself safe. We went straight to the collectors, the experts, and those who do know to get the dirt on civil war collectibles and we bring it all to you here on Collective Intelligence.

