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The chapeau de la plume—

When and Where It Should Be Worn

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Once upon a time in the land of frills, feathers and fashions, the Queen of Clothes was in a quandary. To wear, or not to wear her *Chapeau de la plume* to the evening wedding of Lord Pinkerdedum. That alone was bad enough, but to add to her dilemma, she knew not which gloves to wear.

How is your female magnetism when it comes to selecting the proper hat and gloves for each occasion in the life of a busy college girl? Can you make the correct choice in the following questions?

1. Would you wear a velvet tam or felt tam in the country?
2. Do you always wear a hat to weddings?
3. Do you wear a hat with a formal evening dress?
4. Do you take off gloves when eating if they are elbow gloves?
5. Is it proper to wear gloves to a formal dinner?
6. Is there a definite rule as to which length of gloves should be worn on every occasion?
7. When lunching in a restaurant at mid-day, do you leave on or take off a hat?
8. Is a hat correct to wear with a street dress?
9. Do you remove your gloves to shake hands?
10. Can you wear gloves without a hat?

Now you can compare your answers and

opinions on the preceding questions to the correct answers. How did you fare?

1. You would chose the felt tam. In dressing for the country, daytime clothes should look comfortable and practical, yet be in good taste.

2. No. To an evening wedding no hat should be worn unless it is a simple feather hat.

3. No. It is incorrect to wear a hat with a formal evening dress.

4. Yes. Always remove your gloves when eating, but do it with grace.

5. Yes. Gloves are a necessity at a formal dinner, but, as previously stated, don't neglect to remove them when eating.

6. No. The color and length of a glove may be left to the discretion of the wearer.

7. In the daytime, if you wear a hat to a restaurant, do not remove it.

8. Yes. In spite of the hatless trends in this casual era, a hat is considered proper with a street dress.

9. No. A lady never removes her gloves to shake hands. Also, she extends her hand to the gentleman.

10. Yes. It is permissible to wear gloves without a hat. (Remember the no-hat rule for formal evening wear?)

And now, would it be proper for the Queen of Clothes to wear her *chapeau de la plume* to the evening wedding of Lord Pinkerdedum?