

Preserve family memories



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Christmas gifts

In *The Santa Clause 2* movie, Santa brings adults the gifts they always wanted as children. The nostalgia and tenderness are palpable. Sometimes it's the simplest gifts that bring the most pleasure.

One Christmas, several curious cylindrical shapes, ribboned in a row, garlanded the carpet under our Christmas tree. My sister thought for sure I would figure out what they were, but I didn't. On Christmas morning, I opened my first set of felt-tip markers. As a writer-in-process, these felt like treasure. I kept some of them for years, long after they dried out.

What were the best gifts your parents gave you? And what were the favorite things they received? These memories reveal important facets of our childhood experiences, making them both fun and worth keeping.

Happy writing,

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