



ASK THE STARS!

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brand-new column even more personal, enclose a small black-and-white photograph of yourself, and we will publish it if and when your question is used. ASK THE STARS is your column, the column you asked for, the column the stars will write with and for you!



Dear Rick Ely:

I've heard that you are going steady with a girl named Linda Smith. Is this true?

Elaine - Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Elaine:

Linda Smith is a girl that I've dated for the last couple of years, but we've kind of cooled it now and are both dating other people. She's a groovy chick but we're not engaged or about to be married or anything like that. In the inside cover of my record album there is a picture that I took of a horse and that horse used to belong to Linda, but she has another horse now.

Rick Ely



Dear David:

I was wondering where you got the blue ring you always wear on your right hand, and if there's any story behind it.

Sue—N.Y., N.Y.

Dear Sue:

The ring is kind of a family heirloom, I guess. You see my father gave it to me when I was 15. His mother gave it to him when he was 15. I guess I'll probably give it to my son, if I have one someday, when he's 15.



Dear David Cassidy:

I read somewhere that you would date a black girl and I would just like to know if this is true. I am black and I wonder if stars like you would actually date black girls.

Diedra—El Paso, Texas

Dear Diedra:

I have dated a couple of black girls. At one time I was pretty involved with a black girl. I hate to sound like everyone else, but I sure would and have dated black girls. It really doesn't mean anything to me—race, one way or another. I know you can't ignore it—you have to deal with other people's prejudices, but as far as I know I don't consciously have any prejudices toward black people. Everyone has their prejudices and I'm sure I have mine, but they are not directed at blacks. I wouldn't date a white girl rather than a black girl just because of race. It would all depend on who she was and what kind of person she was, not on the color of her skin.

David Cassidy



Dear Philippe:

Are you really French?

Joyce—N. Ridge, N.H.

Dear Joyce:

But of course! I was born in Paris, France.