

Dear David,

I really dig your show. My family watches it every Friday and girls at my school bring Tiger Beat and FaVE to school. I've got a few questions to ask you and a problem too. Is Shirley Jones really your stepmother? Do you and the other stars really sign the pictures in Tiger Beat and FaVE? My problem is my boyfriend. He is shy with girls and he won't say he likes me. Can you help me?

Ethel Nichols  
Dade City, Fla.

Dear Ethel,

I'd be glad to answer your questions and I'll try to help you with your problem too! Yes, Shirley Jones really is my stepmother. She married my dad Jack Cassidy when I was very young. I can't tell you about the other "stars" but yes, I really do sign the pictures in Tiger Beat and FaVE. There are some teen magazines around that forge my signature and other people's too, but Tiger Beat doesn't stoop to forgery. They don't have to. After all, Ann Moses can come down on the set any day and get a real signature since Tiger Beat and FaVE have their offices right here in Hollywood. As for your boyfriend, the best thing to do is just be nice, sweet and kind to him. Let him know that you care about him, but don't be too aggressive. Let him know you're really not so bad to talk to and maybe he will. Let me know how it turns out, and thanks for writing to "Tell It Like It Is."



**DANNY'S HIDDEN, BUT** he's the culprit behind Susan Dey playing with her beautiful long hair.

Dear Susan,

First of all I'd like to compliment you on the Partridge Family show. It's cool! Now I'd like to know, when you put your hair in a ponytail or pigtails do you use elastics or rubber bands? Also, do you have split ends? When is the Partridge gang coming to Montreal?

Curious in Montreal,  
Canada

Dear Curious,

I think the show's "cool" too, but then I'm prejudiced! I don't wear my hair in a ponytail too often but when I do I try to use elastics. Rubber bands cut the hair more. I do get split ends, but I try to trim my hair regularly so that helps a lot! I'm sorry I've got bad news for your last question. The Partridge gang doesn't have any plans to tour at all, although David does. I don't know his exact tour schedule, but when I find out I'll see you get it!



## David & Susan

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The whole truth and nothing but the truth on all the questions you've been asking! Do you have a question for David or Susan? If so, you can write to them personally by writing to Tell It Like It Is, c/o Tiger Beat, 1800 N. Highland Ave., Hollywood, Calif. 90028.

Dear David,

I read in a magazine that your dog Sheesh is really your roommate Sam's dog and the other dog Sam is yours. Is this true?

Donna Taylor  
Porterville, Calif.

Dear Donna,

Yes, it's true. Sheesh actually does belong to Sam, but we kind of feel that we're all just one big family!

Dear Susan,

There is a girl in the Sear's catalogue who looks exactly like you. It's the Fall and Winter 1970 book. Could you please tell me if it is you or not? If it isn't I must have bad eyes!

Frankie Taylor  
Warren, Mich.

Dear Frankie,

Your eyes are 20-20! It really was me!



**NO, DAVID ISN'T** about to rob a bank. He just decides he'd give TIGER BEAT'S photog a "different" look!

Dear David,

I think it's great that you and Susan have your own column in Tiger Beat. Can you tell me some things about you? Your eye color, where you live and where can I write to you? Do you have a fan club?

Linda Powell  
Hoffman Estates, Ill.

Dear Linda,

I think it's great having our own column too! At least this way I know you're getting the truth! My eyes are hazel and my hair is brown. I'm 5'8" tall and weigh about 135 lbs. You can write to me in care of Tiger Beat and we do have a fan club! It's The Partridge Family Official Fan Club and you can join by turning to page 52! Thanks for writing!

Dear Susan,

I've heard that David's been doing some tours and I just wondered if you went along with him. If not, would you like too?

Betty Walker  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Betty,

David has been doing some touring and he loves it. I haven't gone on any of them yet, but I would like to. I think it would be great to see David give a concert. If you see one before I do, let me know how you liked it, ok?

Dear David,

My girlfriend and I had an argument. I said you were 20 and she said you were 18. Who is right?

Susan Siebold  
Randallstown, Maryland