

# David & Susan TELL it LIKE it IS!

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Dear David,

I think you're the greatest ever, and though I know I'll never meet you, I feel as though I know you personally. I was wondering what time you get up in the morning and report to work?

Celia Corvera  
Los Angeles, Ca.

Dear Celia,

Thank you for the compliment. It makes me feel good to hear that you've gotten the impression you "know" me, because oftentimes I fear a lot of girls may think just the opposite. Sometimes I worry that because of studio rules or security reasons at concerts that prevent me from meeting people, many of you might be under the impression I'm being cold. But I guess you're proof that people really do understand, and I'm glad! The time I get up in the morning varies, depending on when we have a call. But usually I'm up at 6:00 or 6:30 and on the set preparing for work about seven or eight!



Dear Susan,

I wanted to write and tell you that I love your show and watch it every single week—even though I'm just writing about it now! I recently saw a picture of you in "Seventeen" magazine, which prompted a question about modeling. Does it require a lot of money to model? I'm very interested in modeling and even sent in my picture and a questionnaire to "Seventeen" myself! Wish me luck!

J.C.

Dear J.C.,

I sincerely wish you luck, because modeling is a very exciting field! In the beginning it can be expensive, but once you get going, it's not too bad. See, when you first start you have to contend with the cost of make-up, false eyelashes, or hair pieces, perhaps—not to mention the cost of posing for photographers for your portfolio. All of a sudden it seems like all of these little things start popping up from nowhere and each one requires a good amount

of bread. But one thing to watch out for is the modeling schools that have expensive courses and don't guarantee you a future. Unfortunately, a lot of girls think these schools promise a career in modeling, and most times it just doesn't work out. But if you are fortunate and can get some guidance from an agent who can secure jobs for you, then it quickly repays what you've invested. I hope this information helps, and do write back to let me know how everything's going!

Dear David,

If you get married, what kind of girl do you want her to be? What qualities are important to you?

Love,  
Lela Parker  
Detroit, Mi.

Dear Lela,

I guess there are many qualities that I'll be looking for in the girl who'll someday be my bride, and one of the most important is consideration. I'll want her to be understanding and realize that a lot of time must be devoted to my work, and of course, she should not get jealous if I spend time visiting and talking with fans. She'll be gracious and thoughtful, poised, able to adjust to new situations, and just be an all-around great girl. Who knows? She could even be you!

Dear Susan,

I seem to have this problem and I thought maybe you could help me. My mother says I'm a little sarcastic. I don't try to be, but I can't help it. Once this boy I was dating said I was so sarcastic that it hurt! I hope you can give me some advice. Help!

Mary M.  
Flatonia, Tx.

Dear Mary,

I really don't think there's too much I can do for you; in an effort to overcome your problem, you really have to help yourself! All I can advise is that before you speak, THINK about what you're going to say. Once something is said, the damage is done, but if you carefully choose your words before you speak you can spare yourself (and others) lots of problems.



Dear David,

I love your show and I never miss your column in TIGER BEAT! As a matter of fact, I can't wait until the next issue is out! I've got wall-to-wall posters of the Partridge Family, you, and Susan. Keep up the good work!

Love ya,  
Joanie Patterson  
Milwaukee, Wisc.

Dear Joanie,

Thank you for writing. A word of encouragement is always welcome!

Dear Susan,

I have a problem I would like you to help me with if you can. I'm in the 7th grade and am going with a really neat guy. I've gone with four other guys before him and there are rumors going around about me which aren't true. Now I don't know what to do. What do you suggest? I think by the time you'll be reading this, my boyfriend and I will probably be broken up.

Suzu  
Monticello, Ind.

Dear Suzu,

I can see you do have a problem, but if you're broken up with your boyfriend by now I think you'll be on the right track. First of all, I think anyone in the 7th grade is way too young to be going steady, and truthfully, I'm not too sure dating is even advisable at your age. False rumors are bound to crop up if you go with a lot of different guys. They may be caused out of jealousy from other girls who aren't enjoying popularity. Who knows? But whatever their origin may be, you don't need them, right? So just remain friendly with everybody, and maybe refrain from seeing just one boy too steadily. I'm sure if you do this, your problem will be cleared up in no time.