Dear David,

My girlfriend and I have noticed how many young teachers there are these days, so we began wondering if you ever had a crush on a teacher?

> Elaine Farmer Scranton, Pa.

Dear Elaine.

It's funny you should ask because someone had asked me a similar question just the other day! I do recall having a crush on a very pretty teacher I once had! She was one of those student-teachers who must've been in her early twenties, and since I was around twelve, I thought it was the ideal set-up! I think most of the guys in my class pretty much had a crush on her, but we all kept quiet about it. Then when I started noticing girls my own age I realized that beat liking older teachers any day!

Dear Susan,

My question is short and simple, but I do hope you will answer it. What is your favorite color?

> Sally Richards Pekin, Ill.

Dear Sally,

Do you realize you come from the same place I do? I was born in Pekin, Illinois! It's good hearing from someone out that way again! When it comes to colors, I like anything that's bright. Red, yellow, orange, green . . . it makes no difference. I like them all!



BRIAN, SUZANNE and Danny have fun exploring this huge prop phone, which was used in a dream sequence.

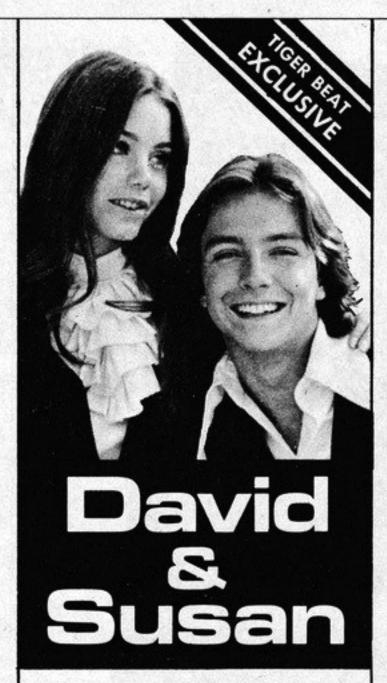
Dear Susan,

My girlfriend said she heard you own a private plane, but I never heard anything about it. I didn't even know you had a desire to fly! Please tell me if this is so. I can't imagine why I never heard about it before.

> Judy Phillips Waco, Tx.

Dear Judy,

Do you want to know why you never heard anything about my private plane? It's because I don't have one! I don't know how a rumor like that even got started, but it's one of the funniest I've ever heard about myself! When I set out to travel by air, I prefer leaving the piloting to someone else, and that's the way I intend for it to be—always!





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,

Are you close to your half-brothers? Do you see them very often?

> Marsha Dwight Providence, R.I.

Dear Marsha,

Yes, I'm glad to say that my halfbrothers and I are all pretty close. There isn't an opportunity to see them as often as I'd like because of working commitments, but we try to get together at least once every couple of weeks for an invigorating game of baseball, or rap sessions that can last hours and hours!



GROWING AND GROWING is David's stepbrother Shaun Cassidy. All his brothers like to visit him on the set.

Dear Susan,

I have a terrible problem! My hair splits and breaks like you wouldn't believe, and I just don't know what to do! Perhaps with your experience as an actress and model you can suggest something for me. I'd appreciate any help you could offer!

Penny R. Cade Brownsville, Tx.

Dear Penny,

It sounds to me like you're a candidate for a protein shampoo! I've used them myself and they're really great at "dissolving frizzies," as the commercials say! How about giving it a try and after a few weeks you'll probably recognize signs of improvement. Also, what kind of hair brush do you use? Too many people minimize the importance of a good hair brush. Plastic bristles break hair, but natural bristles are very good for you. In addition to massaging the scalp, they help give your hair a healthy glow. This is national "Be Kind to Hair Week," so don't be left out!

Dear David,

Will you please tell me if you smoke, and what do you think of young people that do?

> Rhonda Hatton Frewsburg, N.Y.

Dear Rhonda,

There was a time I did smoke, but I'm glad to say I've "kicked the habit." I started when I was young and was trying to look old and really "in" like so many kids, but now I realize how foolish that was. Smoking is a bad habit and I'm glad I was able to overcome it. It surprised me too, to discover how much better I felt after quitting. It was like freeing my lungs of stale air and I felt healthier for it. I don't like to see young people smoke, and I hope that if anyone reading this column is toying with the idea of beginning that they'll change their mind. They'll be happier for it!