

Dear Susan,

I think that you and David make a great-looking couple and I'm surprised that there is no romantic interest between you. Don't you feel funny about leaving your relationship as "just friends?"

Curious in Vancouver

Dear Curious,

Your letter has certainly been one of the most interesting ones I received today! To answer your question, I think that David's a very nice guy and I feel close to him like a sister. But ever since our series began it was more or less "understood" that there would be no romantic interest between us. We find that it's best if we can work together as friends so that both of us can feel free in turning to one another for advice, and be able to offer constructive criticism that won't be taken as a personal offense. We like the brotherly-sisterly relationship we have, and hope to keep it that way for many years to come!

Dear David,

Greetings from Japan! I was curious if you've ever been to the Orient, or if you'd like to come out here one of these days? Please say yes!

Love,  
Miko

Dear Miko,

Greetings to you from Hollywood! As you know, I just got back from Europe and had a terrific time. I've been thinking of my next vacation spot and am seriously considering visiting the Orient. I think it would be a fantastic place for a vacation!

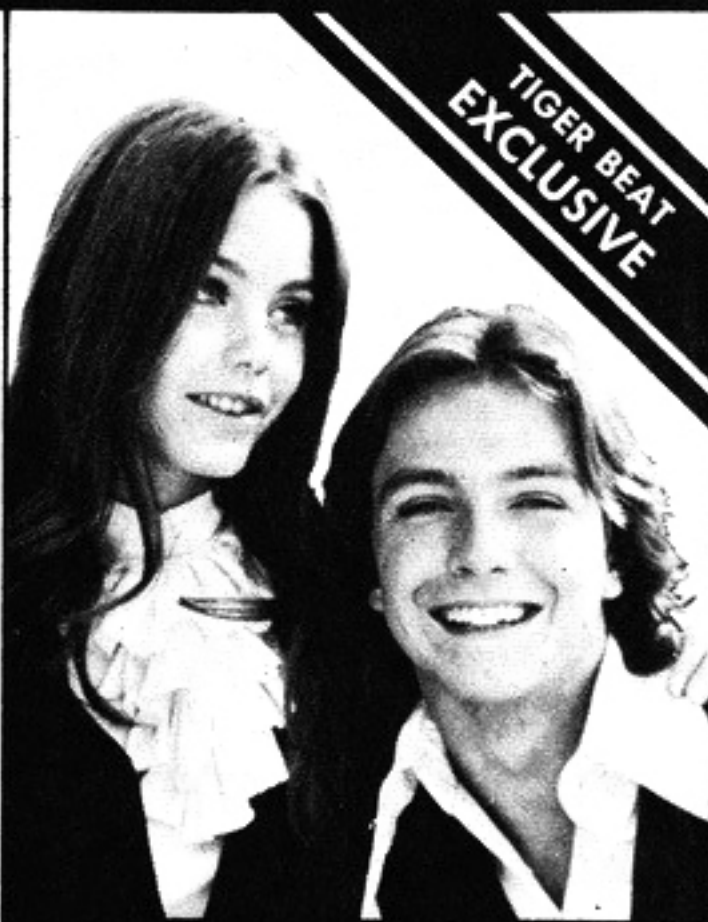
Dear Susan,

How do you politely turn down a boy's invitation to take you out if you really don't want to go with him? In my house, that's a very touchy subject!

Peace & love,  
Sandra

Dear Sandra,

I agree, it's a touchy subject indeed! Yet I'm sure it's something all us girls have to face one time or another. Probably the most polite way to turn down a boy's invitation is just by telling him you already made plans for the evening he asked about. Should he persist and try to book you several weeks in advance, just explain that you're dated up for awhile and won't be able to make further commitments. After this happens a couple of times, he'll begin to get the idea that you're just not available, yet he won't feel too bad by taking it personally. (But if you want an extra little word of advice, if you don't know the guy well and just assume you won't like him, you should really give him a chance! He may be very nice!)



# David & Susan

# TELL it LIKE it IS!

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, 7060 Hollywood Blvd., Suite 800, Hollywood, Calif. 90028.

Dear David,

Is it true that Sheesh is really your roommate Sam's dog rather than yours?

Tammie Robbins  
Reseda, Ca.

Dear Tammie,

I like the spelling of your name! To answer your question, Sheesh really does belong to Sam, and he's had her for several years. But since we've been rooming together Sheesh has been staying with both of us, so most people just refer to her as "our" dog!

Dear Susan,

Have you ever had a desire to be a member of a singing group in addition to the "Partridge Family?"

Terri Lee  
Spokane, Wa.

Dear Terri,

Wow, I've thought a lot about music, but I think two groups at once would be pretty hard to handle! I've never seriously considered myself going into professional singing with my own rock group or anything. Right now things are just the way I like them—they're not too fast and they're not too slow, so I'm not interested in making any major changes just yet!

Dear David,

I wonder if you can give me some advice for my problem? There are two girls living on my street that I really like. I think that one of them likes me, but how can I be sure? And how can I get the other girl interested?

Peace,  
Karl



IT'S ALWAYS FUN ON the Partridge set when Danny Bonaduce joins David and Susan for some clowning around. Visitors on the Partridge set always notice how "family-like" everyone is!

Dear Karl,

By the looks of your letter, it seems like you live in a nice area! With two interesting girls on your block, I don't think you have much of a problem! I've gotten the impression you know them both personally, so I don't think it would be in poor taste if you stopped by their houses some afternoon. Introduce yourself and remind them that you're practically neighbors and that you were walking by and wanted to say "hello." That should start the ball