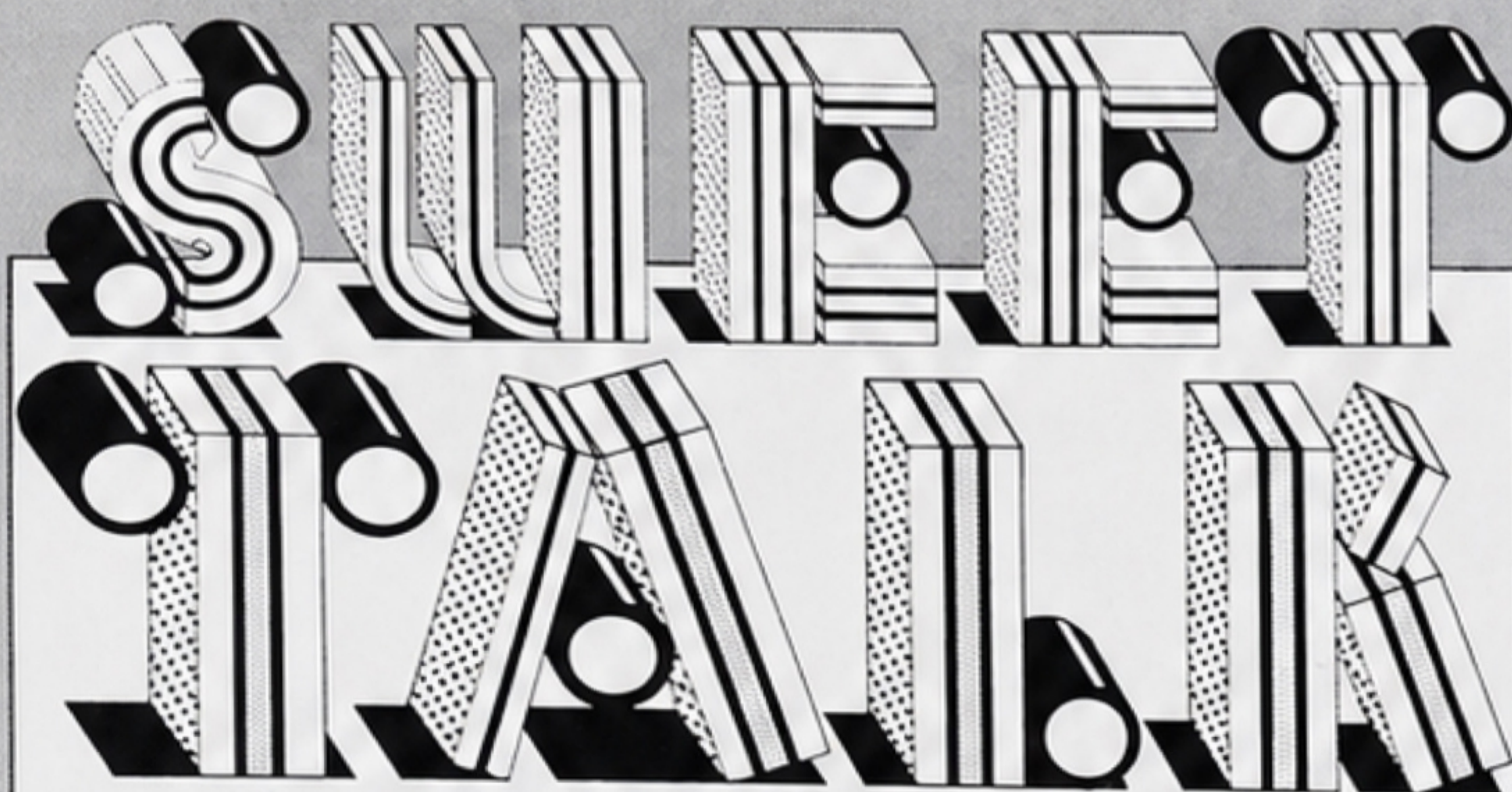




THE SWEET TALK TO YOU

Hello from Brian.

We're just in the process of getting a major British tour together which should keep us on the road for quite a while, so we'll probably be seeing a lot of you! readers when we play your town. I hope you'll enjoy yourselves.

This will be the last time we'll be writing to you for a little while.

When we're on tour we are kept extremely busy and, as I explained to Tony, your editor, the other day, there will probably come a time when we just won't be able to write something for you because we can't always guarantee the time, so rather than disappoint you and leave a white gap in the paper where Sweet Talk should be, I discussed with him the idea of postponing our weekly words for a little while.

He agreed, and said that whenever we got time to start writing again, he'd be only too pleased to put Sweet Talk back in the magazine.

Anyway, Steve, Mick, Andy and myself have enjoyed our literary efforts so far, and you can be assured that when we get the time we'll be writing for all of you again.

Just before we go off on the road, we'll be cutting a new album which should be in the shops just before Christmas all being well!

I hope many of you will put it high on your Christmas presents list.

In closing, I'd like to thank all of you for making our 'Ballroom Blitz' record a big hit in the charts. It's happened to us a couple of times before, but we still get a great thrill every time we look and see that we're successful — thanks again!

Well, let's hope it won't be too long before we meet again. We'll be looking out for you at the concerts so, until then, take care!

Lots of love,



Moody Moments with David...

David has a beautiful star-smile and nine times out of ten he's smiling, because he feels good ... glad to start the day and meet the challenges as they come along.

But sometimes, the smile may be hiding a black mood, when he desperately wants to confide in someone, yet everyone seems too busy to bother ... or so he thinks. So when he's feeling down, David is inclined to hide it, rather than confide in a friend.

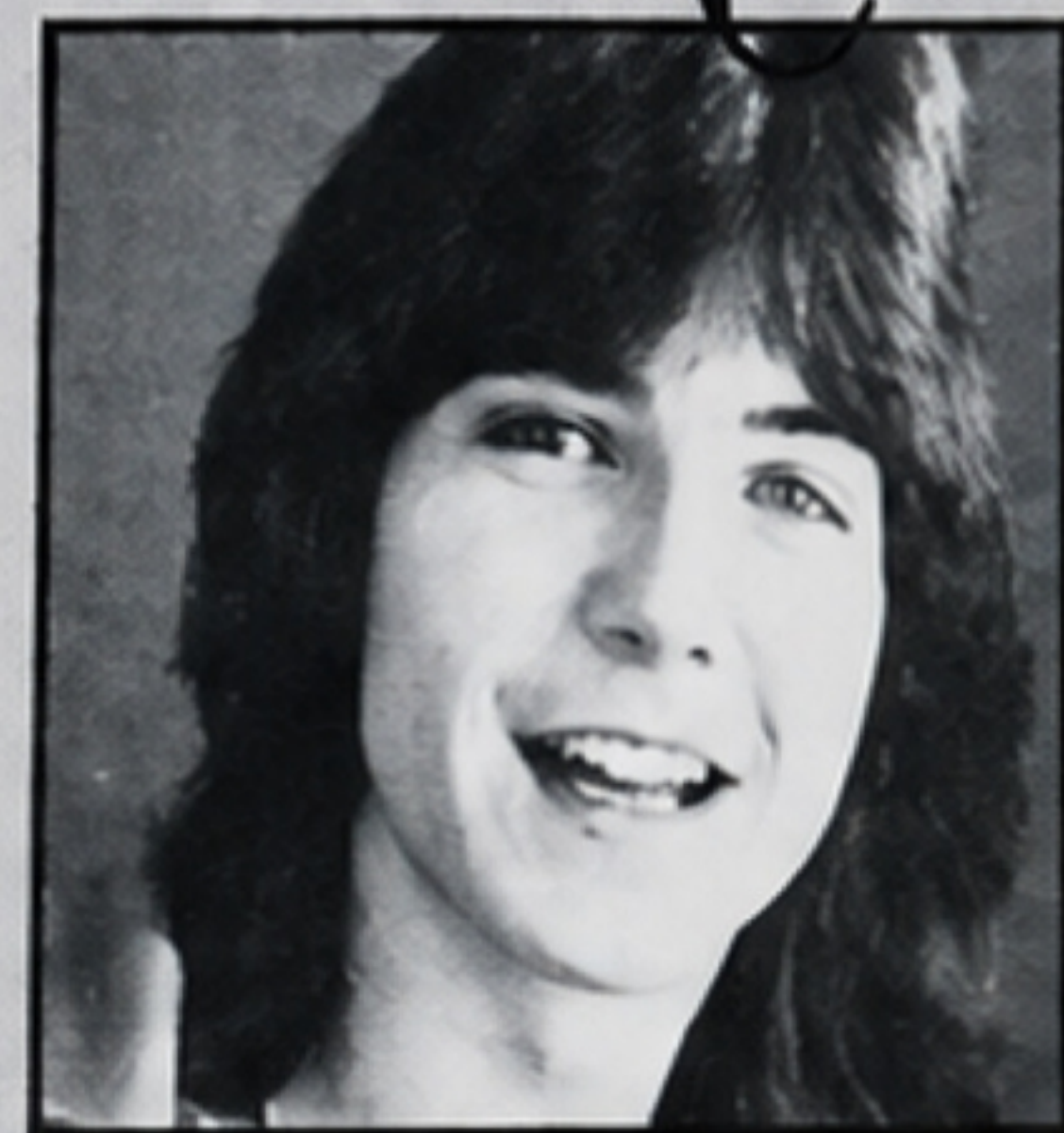
If you ever happened to be by David's side, you'd soon spot that there was something wrong, but what would you do ... ?

David likes to think that people care for him, yet he hates those who fuss around him, trying to draw the information out — can they help? Can they do this—do that?

If he wants to talk about whatever's on his mind, he will do ... slowly and gradually. So you should stick by him, suggest you go out for a meal or stay at home and play some sounds. Make him feel that everything is normal, yet that you're very aware of him.

Pop stars are so used to bottling up their feelings, they usually forget how to unwind after a while! This used to be David's problem until he found ways of releasing all the tension.

"I phone up the prettiest girl I know, drop everything I'm doing, go round and pick her up and have a great evening. Usually I manage to forget about all my problems if I'm with the right person! But sometimes I just have to get away on my own, maybe take the car out on a long drive somewhere and pull up and just think it out.



"Basically, I like to be people around me, otherwise I get lonely, and I'm busy enough to have a few close friends who understand my moods and know when to leave me alone.

But I guess the greatest way to cheer myself up is that on stage, singing. Then, I just don't have the chance to think anything, get me down. It's just me, the audience and the music. It's a fantastic feeling, especially afterwards, when there are all those people yelling around, screaming for an autograph, wanting you to sign your photo ... tearing at your clothes. I mean, they really go crazy! Perhaps it's not so bad after all!"

"But I know I'm okay really, in comparison to a lot of people. My life could be a lot worse, so instead, I'll think about all the good things which have happened to me and forget about the not so good."

We think David has a secret for good living—just one look at his face will tell you that in spite of all the disadvantages of being a teen star, he's still got a lot to smile about!

Guess we could all learn a thing or two from David about looking on the bright side!