

Who am I?

## Description

Two interesting things have happened to me over the past few days.

1) Over Facebook, I installed an application that tested how original your parents were in naming you.

Now, I know that David is a relatively common name, but I was shocked and highly entertained about what came up.

And I quote:

“Your parents get an F+ for originality.

Ranking “David” was the 5th most popular boy’s name in your birth year.

Rarity “87% of boys had rarer names that year. (Grade: F+)”

Peak year “David” peaked in popularity in 1955.

Current rank “David” is currently the 14th most popular boy’s name.

Current name “Your parents might name you Daniel today (current #5).”

Read that last line again! my parents MIGHT name me DANIEL today. DANIEL. The name of my identical twin.

You think that means the universe is trying to tell me something?

2) This was just weird.

I checked out my Master’s mail box today while I was going to go edit some radio stuff, and noticed that I had a letter. Intrigued, I looked at the envelope.

This is what I saw:



\*Click on it to see a larger image, believe me, it’s worth it\*

Intrigued that it was from the PRIME MINISTER’S OFFICE, I opened it. And, I saw this:



January 4, 2010

Mr. David Manly



Dear Mr. Manly:

On behalf of the Right Honourable Stephen Harper, I would like to acknowledge receipt of your e-mail correspondence of November 27, in which you requested a phone interview with the Prime Minister.

Please know that the Prime Minister appreciated your interest, and has asked me to thank you. Unfortunately, Mr. Harper was unable to fulfill your request, owing to previous international commitments.

Once again, thank you for writing to the Prime Minister.

Yours sincerely,



\*Same deal. Click on it to see a larger version of the picture\*

Apparently, when I called the Prime Minister's Office last term about Senate reform (see my Capital News Online article about it on the right), they actually DID receive my message. However, seeing as the letter was addressed January 4 2010, and my article was due at the beginning of December 2009, it did me little good to receive it now.

But apparently, Harper appreciated my request and asked the signer to give me his thanks.

So, Harper was told about my request. That means he heard my name, and did not want to be interviewed by me. I've only started my journalistic career, and have already been blacklisted by the PM.

I guess that means I'm a bonafide Canadian journalist!

## Category

1. Daniel
2. Facebook
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4. Stephen Harper

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