



THE BLUE FAMILY TREE

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Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a celebrity? Celebrities are special to the general public because they are so rare; Less than 1% of the population will ever achieve celebrity status. Have you ever caught yourself scanning the crowd at an airport wondering if you can spot one? It's fun to see one. Maybe you're too mature or have too much pride to acknowledge them and ask for an autograph, or maybe you know by now that the autograph will go in your drawer of really cool stuff and never come back out, but admit it, it is still kind of exciting to see one, even if it's one you don't particularly like.

Celebrities do something the rest of the population doesn't do. They don't have the same mundane 8-5 job. They seem to live IN the news rather than watching the news. They are always in the know, and on the edge of what's hot. When they are away from work, they might wear disguises or give fake names. Young celebrities want everyone to know who they are, but celebrities that have been around for a minute like to try and blend in. If you see them in public and don't know who they are, they're likely to have have a fancy story about a fake alternate career. They love the crowds but they also don't want to be bombarded all the time.

When kids see celebrities; well, they can be absolutely star-struck. They're little minds just can't believe they are in the presence of someone they have seen on TV and heard so much about. They look at them like they're super heroes. They just can't stop staring, to the point that even after the celebrity acknowledges them with a wave and a smile, or maybe a sticker, they just keep staring. They're parents apologize and make some fun small-talk because they too are a little excited. They might

share a quick story about the last celebrity they saw and how impactful that was, or they excuse their child's staring because "He just loves you so much and wants to be like you one day." What a life celebrities must have...

Celebrities have to be very careful about what they do when they are not at work. It seems like the paparazzi are always watching, just waiting to catch them doing something they shouldn't. Most of them live pretty clean and normal lives, but the only ones we ever see in the news are the ones who make really poor decisions. This makes people think they are all that way, and gives the rest of them a really bad wrap.

But I think if I was a celebrity, the best thing must be just trying to eat in public, and you keep getting interrupted by people of all walks of life coming to your table to thank you for what you do. It must really make them feel that despite all the news in the world, they really do unite us and stand for what we all believe.

your citizens are proud of you. Be proud of yourself too.