

Harry Potter's Tom Felton Accused of Fathering a Secret Love Child



Harry Potter and the

Deathly Hollows stars are used to spending time on the red carpet, but now they're under fire in the tabloids. Seven male stars from the *Harry Potter* film series have been accused of fathering a secret love child via an anonymous postcard published on the blog, Postsecret.com. Actor Tom Felton, who plays Draco Malfoy in the *Harry Potter* series, said via Twitter, "My friend just found this on the web! Just to confirm that I can be cancelled out of this equation." Oliver and James Phelps, who play George and Fred Weasley respectively, also denied the accusation, but Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Jason Isaacs, and Alan Rickman have yet to comment.

How do you handle secrets in a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Truth and honesty are necessary for a healthy relationship, but sometimes sharing secrets seems to do more harm than good.

Cupid offers some thoughts on how to spill unsavory surprises to your partner:

1. Consider the situation: If you're as shocked to learn about something as Tom Felton was, look at the big picture. Figure out if your partner is likely to hear the news, if the information will affect your relationship, and if it's something that should be taken seriously.

2. Put yourself in his shoes: Think about how you would take this news if it were the other way around. Use your partner's personality as a guide for breaking the news.

3. Establish a policy of full-disclosure: If your secret isn't a surprise to you like it was to Tom Felton, take this opportunity to re-establish the trust in your relationship.

Explain why you didn't share right away, and make a pact to be more honest in the future.