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The Hill Times, October 6th, 2008
By Abbas Rana, Kate Malloy and Bea Vongdouanchanh

Biggest enemy of Liberals: other Liberals, internal power struggle, and backbiting

But leading pollster Nik Nanos says new factors may be reshaping the campaign and the perceptions of Canadians.

Displaying start of article containing 1226 words - The Liberals' failure to run a mostly uninspiring campaign boils down chiefly to the party leader's inability to connect with voters and articulate party policies in a persuasive way, especially in English Canada, say some Liberals.

"Dion's weakness is he's not an effective communicator in the English language. Very simple. He's a channel changer. You have to connect with people, you have to make people laugh. People tune him out and turn him off," said one senior Liberal in a not-for-attribution interview with *The Hill Times*.

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