



# Anthony Ormond

**Q: What were you like at school?**

**A: A teacher once described me as "often disruptive". I like to think that she meant it in a good way.**

**Q: What did you want to be when you were a child?**

**A: Reading John Grisham books made me want to be a criminal lawyer. I'm fortunate enough to have followed my dream. Not a single day is the same and the colourful characters that I meet give me inspiration for my stories!**

**Q: Which three words describe you best?**

**A: Never.**

**Grown.**

**Up.**

**Q: What is your favourite word?**

**A: I like saying 'Hullabaloo'.**

**I like typing 'Banana'. Go on, try it. Fun huh?**

**Q: What are you afraid of?**

**A: Spiders**

**Q: What is your most treasured possession?**

**A: My wedding ring. (And if we're including people, my wife)**

**Q: What do you do as a hobby?**

**A: Writing IS my hobby at the moment.**

**Q: What strange habits do you have?**

**A: I always get told off for clicking my joints! "You'll get arthritis....!"**

**Q: What's your favourite food?**

**A: Easy. Sausage, egg and chips. Next question.**

**Q: What do you day dream about?**

**A: Tommy Parker being a household name.**

**"What's your favourite Harry Potter book?"**

**"Who? Oh, him. I prefer Tommy Parker."**

**You know, that kinda thing.**

**Q: Do you feel younger or older than your current age?**

**A: Exactly the same. But I admit that I do feel a little older than I did when I first read the question.**

**Q: If you could meet one person, dead or alive, who would it be?**

**A: So many options, but from a literary point of view I'd like to have a chat with Roald Dahl.**

**Q: What quality do you most admire in a person?**

**A: Loyalty / sense of humour**

**Q: What is the best advice anyone has ever given you?**

**A: You can accomplish anything if you put your mind to it.**

**(George Mcfly & my parents)**

**Q: What has life taught you?**

**A: That if you want to succeed in anything you have to put in the hard work. No one else can do it for you.**

**Q: How long have you been a writer?**

**A: About 5 years (evenings and weekends!)**

**Q: Was there a specific moment in your life when you decide to become a writer?**

**A: Nope. The idea for the story came to me one day and then I just started writing and didn't stop until my pen ran out.**

**Q: Where do you do your writing?**

**A: Mainly in front of me. Sometimes just to the side.**

**Q: What are the best and worst things about being an author?**

**A: I love escaping into my imagination where you can make absolutely anything happen.**

**I do feel sorry for my wife who is occasionally subject to choruses of "Sssh, I'm concentrating!" or "Aww, you've made me lose my place now!"**

**I hope she knows how much I appreciate her support (and her ideas) - she's always the first to hear the stories and has proved to be an extremely creative sounding board.**

**Q: Where do you get your greatest ideas from?**

**A: Within. ;-)**

**Q: Which of your own characters do you most identify with?**

**A: Tommy Parker.**

**He's kinda me 20 years ago.**

**Q: What do you do to combat "writers' block"?**

**A: Give up and sulk.**

**Not really. Never give up kids. (unless it's really hard, then give up)**

**Q: What was your favourite book as a child?**

**A: As a young child - Charlie & the Chocolate factory.**

**As a teen - Any John Grisham.**

**Favourite 'adult' book is The Godfather by Mario Puzo.**

**Q: What book do you wish you had written?**

**A: To Kill A Mockingbird.**

**An exceptional coming of age story that just happens to feature a court case and a brilliant lawyer / father figure in Atticus Finch. Right up my street.**

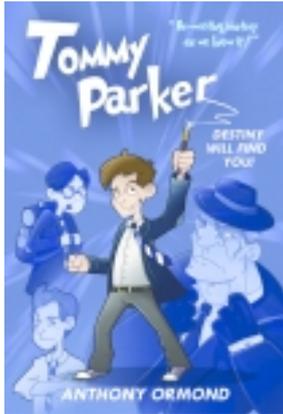
**Q: What advice would you give to aspiring authors?**

**A: Just make sure you enjoy it. If others like it, then that's a bonus. It's a wonderful feeling of accomplishment to finish a story of your own making.**

**You don't have to be the smartest or even the best with words; just try to let the story shine through.**

**Most readers will remember whether they were swept along by the story-telling. Let the English teachers worry about the silly things like grammar and vocab!**

# My Books



## Tommy Parker: Destiny Will Find You!

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