



Damien

Damien's character continues to develop throughout the books. He starts as a teenage lad in the shadows of his friends. He has an incurable illness that stops him from leading a normal life, and although he continues to fight the illness and pain he experiences, physically he struggles.

Before his illness Damien excelled in all sports, and his passion for rugby league appears throughout the books. He is a bright lad with an interest in Ancient History adopted from his father. Damien has similar characteristics and features to his father. He is tall with dark, wavy hair and a stubborn streak that can get him into trouble.

Angel gives him the adventure he craves and when he falls in love with her it becomes apparent of his inexperience. After killing Angel's father and spending time in prison his character becomes stronger and he takes more control of his destiny. In *Telepath* his illness is almost forgotten; however, there are bouts of relapse when the pain seizes hold with a powerful revenge. Damien is loyal and caring and places his life continuously on the line to protect his girlfriend.

There are times of self-doubt and times where Damien's confidence leads him into trouble. Damien's character has a depth of layers that are continuously peeled back.

Quotes:

"But that's over an hour away by bus," Damien protested, "and you're so weak. If you are going home then I am going with you to look after you." (Page 239 – *Pain*)

"If I meet Edward, the pain is the least of my worries," Damien admitted.
(Page 260 – *Pain*)

"I just didn't want to presume that everything was back to normal, and the pain..." he stopped. "Well, you know," said Damien. (Page 317 – *Pain*)

"No," said Damien adamantly. "I need Angel herewith me. Her weekly visits are the only thing keeping me going. And it sounds too dangerous. I can't lose her again. It will destroy me, Dad." (Page 378 – *Pain*)

"That's for the beating you gave Angel," he hissed, smashing Samuel's hand down again onto the ground. (Page 446 – *Pain*)