

Toby Young Quotes

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People in London think of London as the center of the world, whereas New Yorkers think the world ends three miles outside of Manhattan.

~Toby Young

I miss being fawned over by restaurateurs and chefs.

~Toby Young

I expect that in 40 years' time I'll be writing political tomes and working for an organisation like Oxfam.

~Toby Young

I tried being a mechanic and I tried catering, but I realized I had even less aptitude for semi-skilled labour than for academic work.

~Toby Young

Everyone said to me growing up, "You're like an American. You have to go to America. That's your spiritual home."

~Toby Young

My life's ambition is to play a James Bond villain. I have the cat and the eye-patch, so I'm just waiting for the call. For some reason, though, the phone hasn't rung.

~Toby Young

I don't envy young Brits crossing the Atlantic to make their fortunes today.

~Toby Young

Top Chef is a very smooth-running machine. All the people working there are incredibly professional and absolutely at the top of their game.

~Toby Young

I wouldn't describe myself as a master of anything.

~Toby Young

I've become a professional failure - in order to pay the mortgage I have to remain unemployed. Luckily, a disaster always seems to befall me at exactly the right moment.

~Toby Young

There's no reason why you can't deliver a grammar-school curriculum to an all-ability intake.

~Toby Young

The moment I'm perceived to be even a tiny bit successful, my career will go down the pan.

~Toby Young

America thinks of itself as a meritocracy, so people have more respect for success and more contempt for failure.

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