

## Logline

A lovable loser struggles to maintain any self-worth and face his superiors as he builds his confidence, but every decision puts him further behind than he was before.

## Short Synopsis

When Tommy is fired twice in the same week and finds out his brilliant best friend and lifeline, Costa, is leaving the country for a better job, he seizes an opportunity to prove his worth by taking his friends on a trip - in a stolen boat.

## Long Synopsis

While working as a dishwasher one summer and hating it, I found a dream job as a Party Pirate. It required no skills. As a failing student with multiple learning disorders, this really appealed to me. That job emboldened me to make some decisions that changed the course of my life.

Our audience will be drawn to this heartwarming, and hilarious story. It's a relatable and uplifting chronicle of humanity and deep, internal struggles, where the underdog wins in the end.

Surrounded by success, our protagonist Tommy struggles to get anywhere in life. While his friends are well established and successful, he has no secure job, few solid relationships, and his best friend and roommate is about to leave the country. For Tommy, who has always relied on others to protect and support him, fending for himself will be a huge challenge. In his various attempts at work, landing finally as a Party Pirate, even the kids spot his weaknesses, and like always, he is bullied out of the best things that have come his way.

Tommy's friends and co-workers see him as an underdog but all he wants is independence, self-confidence, and self esteem. To get those, Tommy will need a secure job to support himself and to build his confidence and inspire his friends. He has a lot to give but no money in the bank. One strength Tommy has is a skill for building and playing out heroic scenarios with plasticine models. Though childlike in nature, they become the key to Tommy working through his failures and envisioning the success he so craves.

Because Tommy has had trouble reading, he doesn't always know the rules, word for word. He's had to invent his own guidelines to make decisions but these don't always pan out the best for him. With a history of being intimidated, Tommy recoils at the first sign of conflict. He has to learn to fight back, in his own way, if he's ever going to feel good about himself.

Highlights that will be memorable to audiences include his no-filter but ultimately harmless encounters with strong-willed children in costume; the bungling of an adult sex toy party involving flies, dildos, and a daycare visit to a neighbourhood park; an encounter with a transvestite/god-like being that sets him on a path toward self-discovery; his piracy of a fishing boat from St. John's harbour; and the final negotiation skills with the ticked off boat owner. Through it all, Tommy combines the outrageous yet innocent comedy of Superbad with the meta-humour of Community, to bring vividness to the self-effacing wit and pathos that makes him unique.