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My dad. His name is Andrew Lance Innes and he is awesome and so much fun to hang out with. He has a wonderful personality and is really quite cheeky! He drives me everywhere no matter if he's busy or not. He has diabetes but that doesn't change a thing, he's still my awesome dad.

My dad's personality is so unique. He is always happy and gives you the odd joke. But he can still get angry when you don't listen... cheeky could be his middle name instead of Lance, because he is always tricking mum and telling her 'I spilt wine on the couch.' When obviously he didn't. He loves sport and enjoys time with the family.

My dad's job is awesome, he's a crop and sheep farmer and I know that most dads are farmers but to me it's really cool. We get to live on the farm and go out on the tractors all the time. He runs the farm like a boss in his element. Phones are always ringing, asking for his advice and he always knows just what to do. He is really good at his job and is a great leader.

My dad takes me everywhere. He would drive to Nelson and back right now if he had to! But he is always so busy, not just running around after my brothers and I, but also doing his own things too. He's really good at golf and tries to do the odd tournament when he can. At home when the tv's on, there's only 3 things that could possibly be on... Rugby, golf and cricket. He loves to watch his sport no matter where he is. He's not really the cook in the house, his specialities are probably steak and eggs on toast. But he enjoys to have a laugh about it.

My dad is special because he not only is so busy every day but he has to deal with diabetes on top of that. He has type 1 diabetes, so he got it from medical reasons. Everyday before he has a meal he has to inject himself with a needle. Plus once or twice a day he has to prick his finger, to see what level he is. Which means - he gets some blood from his finger and puts in on a tiny machine, to see what level he is. The best place for him to be is a 5 for his level, but it's not like that all the time! If he gets a 6 or higher, he has a 'high' which means he gets a really bad headache and if he gets a 4 or lower he has a 'low' so he needs lollies or food right away! He takes his diabetic gear with him everywhere, so he is always organised.

So my dad has to deal with a lot. His job, his kids, his diabetes and he only gets a little bit of time for his hobbies. But he is still really awesome, you could say he's a dad with superpowers.

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