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In news:%235gZL7EHFHA.472@TK2MSFTNGP12.phx.gbl,  
Nathan Sokalski <njsokalski@hotmail.com> had this to say:

> *I am trying to delete some files from my hard drive, and am receiving  
> an Access denied error message. I am the only user of the computer  
> and have administrator privileges (I have also tried signing in as  
> Administrator, but received the same error). I also tried to delete  
> the files from the command prompt, and received the same error. What  
> can I do to give myself the necessary privileges to delete these  
> files? (they are not system files) Any help would be appreciated.  
> Thanks. --  
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Try this:

How to take ownership of a file or folder in Windows XP:

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;308421&sd=tech>

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"My mind rebels at stagnation. Give me problems, give me work, give me the most abstruse cryptogram or the most intricate analysis, and I am in my own proper atmosphere. I can dispense then with artificial stimulants. But I abhor the dull routine of existence. I crave for mental exaltation." -- Sherlock Holmes