

from Dreams from My Father
Literary Analysis, pages 127, 128

Answers will vary. Possible answers are given.

Before his father arrives	To impress his classmates, Obama tells them that his father is a prince.
The day his father arrives	Obama is apprehensive. Thinks his father looks frail, thin, elegantly dressed. Does not have much to say to his father.
First two weeks of his father's visit	Obama's father criticizes Obama for watching too much TV and not working hard enough. Tensions build between Obama's father and rest of the family.
The day his father speaks to Obama's class	Obama is afraid that his classmates will find out that he lied about his father and that they will make fun of his heritage. Instead, people are impressed with his father and think he is "cool."
Final days of his father's visit	Obama begins to look up to his father and see him in a new light. He feels connected to his father as they dance to the African music.