

Ode to Fathers

The most important thing a father can do
for his children is to love their mother.

Henry Ward Beecher (1813-1887)
American clergyman

The father who does not teach his son his duties
is equally guilty with the son who neglects them.
Confucius (551-479 B.C.) • Chinese philosopher



There are fathers who do not love their children;
there is no grandfather who does not adore his grandson.
Victor Hugo (1802-1885) • French poet, novelist and dramatist

You've got to do your own growing, no matter how tall your grandfather was.
Irish Proverb

Any woodsman can tell you that in a broken and sundered nest, one can hardly
find more than a precious few whole eggs. So it is with the family.
Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826) 3rd United States president

It is a wise father that knows his own child.
William Shakespeare (1564-1616) • English dramatist and poet

It's clear that most American children suffer
too much mother and too little father.
Gloria Steinem (1934-)
American feminist and writer

