

<p>“When I was a boy of fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be twenty-one, I was astonished at how much the old man had learned in seven years.” -- Mark Twain</p>	<p>“For thousands of years, father and son have stretched wistful hands across the canyon of time, each eager to help the other to his side, but neither quite able to desert the loyalties of his contemporaries. The relationship is always changing and hence always fragile; nothing endures except the sense of difference.” -- Alan Valentine</p>
<p>“I’ve had a hard life, but my hardships are nothing against the hardships that my father went through in order to get me to where I started.” -- Bartrand Hubbard</p>	<p>“It is a wise father that knows his own child.” -- William Shakespeare</p>
<p>“By the time a man realizes that maybe his father was right, he usually has a son who thinks he's wrong.” -- Charles Wadsworth</p>	<p>“A man knows when he is growing old because he begins to look like his father.” -- Gabriel García Márquez</p>
<p>“If the new American father feels bewildered and even defeated, let him take comfort from the fact that whatever he does in any fathering situation has a fifty percent chance of being right.” -- Bill Cosby</p>	<p>“Old as she was, she still missed her daddy sometimes.” -- Gloria Naylor</p>
<p>“That is the thankless position of the father in the family - the provider for all, and the enemy of all.” -- J. August Strindberg.</p>	<p>“It is easier for a father to have children than for children to have a real father.” -- Pope John XXIII</p>
<p>“I watched a small man with thick calluses on both hands work fifteen and sixteen hours a day. I saw him once literally bleed from the bottoms of his feet, a man who came here uneducated, alone, unable to speak the language, who taught me all I needed to know about faith and hard work by the simple eloquence of his example.” - - Mario Cuomo</p>	<p>“Be kind to thy father, for when thou wert young, Who loved thee so fondly as he? He caught the first accents that fell from thy tongue, And joined in thy innocent glee.” -- Margaret Courtney</p>
<p>“They didn't believe their father had ever been young; surely even in the cradle he had been a very, very small man in a gray suit, with a little dark mustache and flat, incurious eyes.” -- Richard Shattuck</p>	<p>“I cannot think of any need in childhood as strong as the need for a father's protection.” -- Sigmund Freud</p>

<p>“Fathers, like mothers, are not born. Men grow into fathers - and fathering is a very important stage in their development.” -- David M. Gottesman</p>	<p>“The fundamental defect of fathers is that they want their children to be a credit to them.” -- Bertrand Russell</p>
<p>“It no longer bothers me that I may be constantly searching for father figures; by this time, I have found several and dearly enjoyed knowing them all.” -- Alice Walker</p>	<p>“The father is always a Republican toward his son, and his mother's always a Democrat.” -- Robert Frost</p>
<p>“The father who does not teach his son his duties is equally guilty with the son who neglects them.” -- Confucius</p>	
<p>“A king, realizing his incompetence, can either delegate or abdicate his duties. A father can do neither. If only sons could see the paradox, they would understand the dilemma.” -- Marlene Dietrich</p>	<p>“Fatherhood is pretending the present you love the most is soap-on-a-rope.” -- Bill Cosby</p>
<p>“My father died many years ago, and yet when something special happens to me, I talk to him secretly not really knowing whether he hears, but it makes me feel better to half believe it.” -- Natasha Josefowitz</p>	<p>“For thousands of years, father and son have stretched wistful hands across the canyon of time, each eager to help the other to his side, but neither quite able to desert the loyalties of his contemporaries. The relationship is always changing and hence always fragile; nothing endures except the sense of difference.” -- Alan Valentine</p>