

A Former President



Barack Hussein Obama II was born August 4, 1961, in Honolulu, Hawaii, to parents Barack H. Obama, Sr., and Ann Dunham. His parents divorced when he was 2 years old and he was raised by his mother, Ann, and maternal grandparents, Stanley and Madelyn Dunham. His mother later married Lolo Soetoro, and his sister Maya was born in 1970. (He also has several siblings on his father's side.)

Obama moved with his family to Indonesia in 1967, where he attended local Indonesian schools and received additional lessons via U.S. correspondence courses under his mother's direction.

He returned to Hawaii to live with his grandparents in 1971 and attended Punahou School, from which he graduated in 1979. Obama first attended Occidental College in Los Angeles, before transferring to Columbia University, where he earned a Bachelor degree in political science in 1983.

After graduation, Obama briefly worked as an analyst at Business International Corporation in New York City, before changing his career direction toward community service organizing.

After three years of community organizing, Obama enrolled in Harvard Law School. After completing his first year, he worked as a summer associate at Chicago corporate law firm of Sidley & Austin, where his mentor was Michelle Robinson, his future wife.

Barack Obama and Michelle Robinson got married in 1992 at Chicago's Trinity United Church of Christ. They had two daughters, Malia and Natasha "Sasha."

On February 10, 2007, Obama formally announced his candidacy for President of the United States. Barack Obama was inaugurated as the 44th President of the United States on January 20, 2009.

President and Mrs. Obama returned to their lives as private citizens on January 20, 2017.

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I/ Read the text and find out the following pieces of information:

1. His full name:
2. His date of birth:
3. His place of birth and nationality:
4. His parents' names:
5. His grandparents' names:
6. His step-father's name:
7. His step-sister's name:
8. His wife's name:
9. His children's names:



II/ Answer the questions with full sentences:

1. What happened when he was 2 years old?
2. Where did he go in 1967?
3. How did he study in Indonesia (2 ways of learning)
4. Where is Punahou School located?
5. When did he graduate from Columbia University?
6. What diploma did he get from this university?
7. How did he meet his future wife?
8. Where and when did they get married?
9. How many children did they have?
10. When did his presidency start?
11. When did it end?

III/ Use the text to fill in the chart



The SCHOOL lexical field

Mots en Français 	Words in English 	Examples from the text
Aller à l'école/ Fréquenter une école	To
.....	Additional lessons	<i>He received additional lessons</i>
Cours par correspondance
Etre diplômé	To	<i>Heed in 1979</i>
L'université	1..... 2.....
Une licence	A
Obtenir (un diplôme)	To	<i>He</i>
.....	A graduation	<i>After graduation, he worked as an analyst</i>
1..... 2.....	1.To enroll in 2. A law school	<i>Obama enrolled in Harvard Law School</i>

