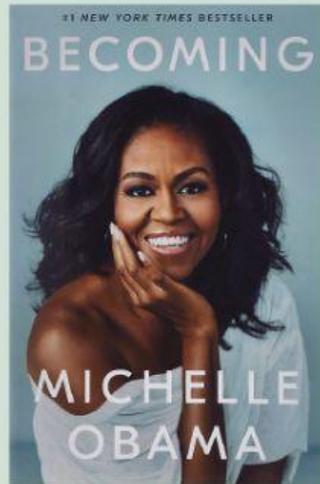


USE THE SIMPLE PAST OF THE VERBS BELOW TO COMPLETE THE TEXT FROM THE PREFACE OF MICHELLE OBAMAS' AUTOBIOGRAPHY, BECOMING.

BE - GROW UP - KNOW -
LEARN - LOVE - WANT - WEAR



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When I _____1 a kid, my aspirations were simple. I _____2 a dog. I wanted a house that had stairs in it—two floors for one family. I wanted, for some reason, a four-door station wagon instead of the two-door Buick that was my father's pride and joy. I used to tell people that when I _____3, I was going to be a pediatrician. Why? Because I _____4 being around little kids and I quickly _____5 that it was a pleasing answer for adults to hear. Oh, a doctor! What a good choice! In those days, I _____6 pigtails and bossed my older brother around and managed, always and no matter what, to get As at school. I was ambitious, though I didn't _____7 exactly what I was shooting for. Now I think it's one of the most useless questions an adult can ask a child—What do you want to be when you grow up? As if growing up is finite. As if at some point you become something and that's the end.

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