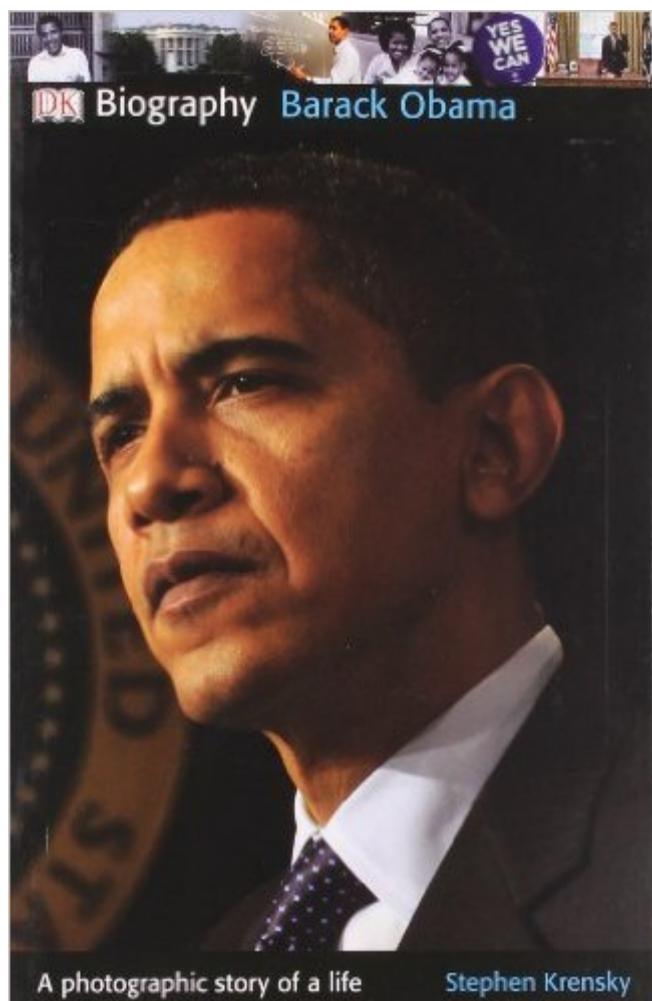


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# DK Biography: Barack Obama



## **Synopsis**

Loaded with archival photographs and amazing facts, the DK Biography series introduces young readers to some of history's most interesting and influential characters. From his early life in Hawaii and Indonesia, to his work as a community organizer in Chicago, to his first months in the Oval Office, DK Biography: Barack Obama tells the story of the 44th president of the United States. Supports the Common Core State Standards.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 10 - 17 years

Grade Level: 5 - 12

## **Customer Reviews**

I bought this for my 11 year old nephew for a Christmas gift. He is a major Obama fan and he knows I am not. We have fun little debates all the time that we both enjoy. I am ok with him being a democrat and an Obama fan as long as he keeps an open mind and isn't just repeating things he hears others and the media say. This book is good for kids around my nephews age and it talks about his life from childhood to the presidency. It gives a good glimpse of the man, not just the politician.

As the nation's 44th president and the first African-American president, Barack Obama's life story has become familiar to people all over the world. Born to a white mother and a black father at a time

when some states even banned biracial marriages, Barack and his parents enjoyed the relative freedom that life in Hawaii brought them. Although his father returned to Kenya when Barack was still very young, Barack would apply lessons from his African heritage as he learned to navigate his own life's path. That path included a stellar record in college and law school, invaluable work as a community organizer, a rewarding family life as husband and father, and his rapid climb up the political ranks. This well-documented book constitutes an informative resource for young readers who are curious about the defining moments of Barack Obama's childhood, schooling, and early career. Thoroughly intertwined in the narrative are accounts of how economic factors such as poverty, racial inequality in the labor market, institutionalized discrimination, and economic recession shaped Obama's thoughts about social policy and economic reforms. In a market with no shortage of biographies about the country's current president, this particular book stands apart for its expansive collection of photographs and sidebar reflections. These visual elements work nicely to reinforce the content and make clear to middle-grade readers the origins of Barack Obama's ardent work toward social justice.

I enjoy reading about our president and collecting books about his journey to the White House. I will share his legend with my grandkids and other children. He is a excellent role model for others.

i appreciated getting to know more about a dark horse politician, we feel fortunate he made it to the Presidency

The story of Barack Obama's rise to the presidency is an inspiring one for all Americans. Stephen Krensky captures all the right notes in this "photographic story of a life." He's especially adept in his use of Obama's "Dreams from My Father" and other writings to add vivid details. Krensky simplifies to aid understanding, but he doesn't back away from tackling difficult issues of race and politics. DK Publishing excels in using interesting photographs and sidebars to appeal to visual learners.

Overall, a winner!

excellent

This is an enjoyable and educational book! A major work should be done about this fine man who helped America recover from eight years of corruption, incompetence, dishonesty, and a bogus war that amounted a crime against humanity. He has succeed despite the avalanche of shameful racism

that has been directed at him. History will vindicate Mr. Obama. The majority of American voters already have...twice!

Excellent! Really enjoyed it! I would recommend this book to any student. My son truly appreciated this book. Thank you!!!Ã Ãf

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