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Intergenerational Conflicts In all kinds of ethnic groups in the United States, Asian Americans such as Chinese and Indians are considered as the largest immigrant group. Although conflicts are inevitable between parents and children, immigrant families face more challenges in intergenerational conflicts, and there are several reasons. First of all, the disagreement of different values and assumptions between two cultures mainly cause family conflicts. Intergenerational conflicts may cause negative consequences for both parents and children. Discrepancies of warmth from parents may influence the attitude of immigrant children in a negative way. A young and hotheaded African American man who is the widow's lover. One night, he is overcome with rage and jealousy and shoots the widow at the Club while she is sitting across from the narrator. The doctor. A good-looking and cultured African American man whom the narrator meets on the ship from Europe to Boston. A well-to-do graduate of Howard University, the doctor and the narrator spend the boat journey discussing race issue. The doctor is "broad-minded" and intelligent, and believes that "colored people" are progressing socially and economically. The two begin a relationship but the narrator is conflicted about whether or not to tell her he is biracial. Once he imparts his secret, she is flustered and does not respond, fleeing the city for the summer. This paper studies about the intergenerational value conflicts between different generations like parent-child relation. More emphasis is laid on intergenerational conflict is normative during youth's transition to adulthood, with the younger generation searching and struggling the older generation appraising the outcome of their parental guidance for self-identity, the older generation apprehensively appraising the outcome of their parental guidance and responsibilities, where they begin to review and assess their own life attainments and failures. It is far less change in social.

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African land has become the most appealing and vulnerable to acquisition. In this article we will analyze external investor actions in Africa by South Africa to explain how regional and global geopolitics are fostering a "new" scramble for natural resources on the African continent. This south-south geopolitical concern examines South Africa's investment in the Democratic Republic of Congo and Lesotho. My Father's Shadow: Intergenerational Conflict in African American Men's Autobiography. January 1994. The Yearbook of English Studies. John White. The mutual pleasure that results from their shared crimes proves that, contrary to what happens in traditional African American autobiography, Othello's transition from slave to 'man', from servitude to 'freedom', is a controversial process that brings about misuse of power and a dangerous adherence to the degrading colonial logic of tyranny and possession. Analyzing and contextualizing the autobiographies of Douglass, Langston, and Gibbs, the chapter argues that during the last decade of the nineteenth century, the diplomatic fiction of representative character assumed special importance in prominent African American men's efforts at (re)constructing themselves as race representatives and in the project of seeking the full rights of US citizenship for their black US constituency.

African American literature, body of literature written by Americans of African descent. Beginning in the pre-Revolutionary War period, African American writers have engaged in a creative, if often contentious, dialogue with American letters. The result is a literature rich in expressive subtlety and social insight, offering illuminating assessments of American identities and history. Recent research, however, has raised questions about whether Equiano was born an Igbo (Ibo) in Africa, as he claims in his autobiography. His baptismal record in Westminster, England, lists him on February 9, 1759, as "Gustavus Vassa a Black born in Carolina 12 years old." On meeting the African-American soldier for the first time, and shaking his hand, Rex then wipes his own hand clean on his trousers, and later alone with Jack, fears that he is a savage killer. Like Lasenby, Gee gives his protagonist a name popular during wartime and, drawing an ironic parallel with George VI, known as George Rex, has the fictional Rex replicate the monarch's warring side. Images of mortality similarly cast a shadow on the summer holiday. George's father is a prisoner of war, George is carsick on the way to the beach, Brown, the dog, is lost, and a local resident has died "on the bar" [p. 44]. The potential for future disharmony exists as much in the children's relationships as it does in the landscape. In *My Father's Shadow*, David L. Dudley explores a line of African American men's autobiographies, starting with Frederick Douglass and moving on through Booker T. Washington, W.E.B. Du Bois, Richard Wright, James Baldwin, Eldridge Cleaver, and Malcolm X. In life, these writers did not enjoy "normal" relationships with their fathers, who were all unknown, absent, or abusive. Dudley identifies a kind of intergenerational Oedipus conflict: each rising autobiographer seeks through his text to displace his predecessor in order to gain imaginative space for himself as well as a position of authority in the black (and sometimes, white) community.