

Itinerary

Father, today I will answer your question.
We will go to the movies, first to breakfast
then your second coffee. Later, we will go
to the movies, after lunch. I'm glad you liked
breakfast. Thank you. I am glad you liked
the coffee I made you. First, we have to go
to the park and walk together. First, we must
learn the names of the trees. Oak, ash, sugar
maple, birch glowing yellow. Yes, that is a fast
car. Yes, those were birch trees. I am glad you
liked your walk. Then, we will go to the movies.
Yes, last night's movie was bad, I agree. No,
it was another actor but their faces look similar.
Yes, we are going to the movies later, after
dinner. First, I must visit a friend. Yes, they are
from the program. Yes, they are from the program
I am in. No, it is not at school. Yes, we are
friends. No. First, we will see the house where
you used to live. Do you remember which one?
I would not know, no. I was not even an idea
yet. I am glad I was born, too. Thank you.
Do you recognize this photo? No, it is me
as a baby. Later, we will go to the movies.
Yes, we saw that bad movie last night
and you had a grilled cheese. I am glad
you liked your grilled cheese. Later,
you will go to the movies. I will watch
as you blink in and out of recognition.
I will watch your leaves yellow and learn
a new name for you. The plot isn't important,
more so the colors. If I get angry, it isn't personal.
If I am good, I will not be perfect. No, I am not
mad at you (about you). Do you want to leave?
Do you want a friend? Later, we will be friends
and after that, we will be strangers.
Do you want to be strangers,
smiling at each other for the first time?