

I have always been proud  
That while some dads wear ties  
My dad wears gloves.

I have always appreciated  
That while some dads offer advice  
My dad lets me find my own way

I have always loved  
That while some dads want to be respected  
My dad treats me with respect

There are many reasons  
I have always felt lucky  
To have the dad I do

Besides his selflessness, generosity, and patience  
I have learned many things from my dad

From my dad I learned  
Yesterday's challenges don't have to ruin today

From my dad I learned  
I am okay just as I am

From my dad I learned  
I don't have to win to feel good about myself

From my dad I learned  
Feeling sorry for one's self is of no use

From my dad I learned  
I am my own person

From my dad I learned  
I am capable of trying anything

From my dad I learned  
This is my life to live and it is okay to find my own way

From my dad I learned  
Work is not something to complain about

From my dad I learned  
We must make sacrifices to help family and others

From my dad I learned  
It is okay to think for myself

From my dad I learned  
Stuff is not what is valuable in life

Although my dad has never taught me a lesson  
He has taught me all of these things and more

I love being my dad's son

- Aaron Boe