

THREE ON THE SCENE

Write a mini-story about three people at the same place. Give each person an emotion.

(Example: the same crowded restaurant, science fair, play tryouts, sports championship, battlefield, the Super Bowl, a museum, the White House), the Titanic, a space shuttle, a lighthouse, an elevator that stopped

The White House: The president, a tourist, the First Lady, the president's daughter, a reporter

Tap-tap-tap-tap. Paula Grier's foot tapped impatiently as she clutched onto her notepad and well-inked pen. Her business suit was absolutely perfect with little pitch black pinstripes, and her high heels had the scent of brand-new leather. However, she was one among a sea of reporters waiting to call out a question to President Obama. Holding a Styrofoam Starbucks coffee container in the other hand from her clipboard, she took gulps every ten seconds to regulate her nerves.

"I cannot be any more excited!" Zachary Morgan, a fifth-grade student visiting the White House, told his friends David and Hunter. He kneeled down to take his silver digital camera out of his camouflage backpack. *Unbelievable*, he thought as he peered at the fancy surroundings. He then heaved a huge sigh of relief as his tour guide came out and began speaking to his group.

I feel like I am going 1,000,000 miles a minute, President Obama thought to himself. *Up at 6:30, meeting with ambassadors at 7:45, a call back to my Secretary of State, a televised speech about the war in Iraq and the national budget... honestly, I wonder when or if I will be able to join my family for lunch.* Looking out the window of the Oval Office, he sighed and looked out to see a clear, bright sky. "Every day we just have to be as optimistic as possible that we'll get everything done," he told himself quietly.