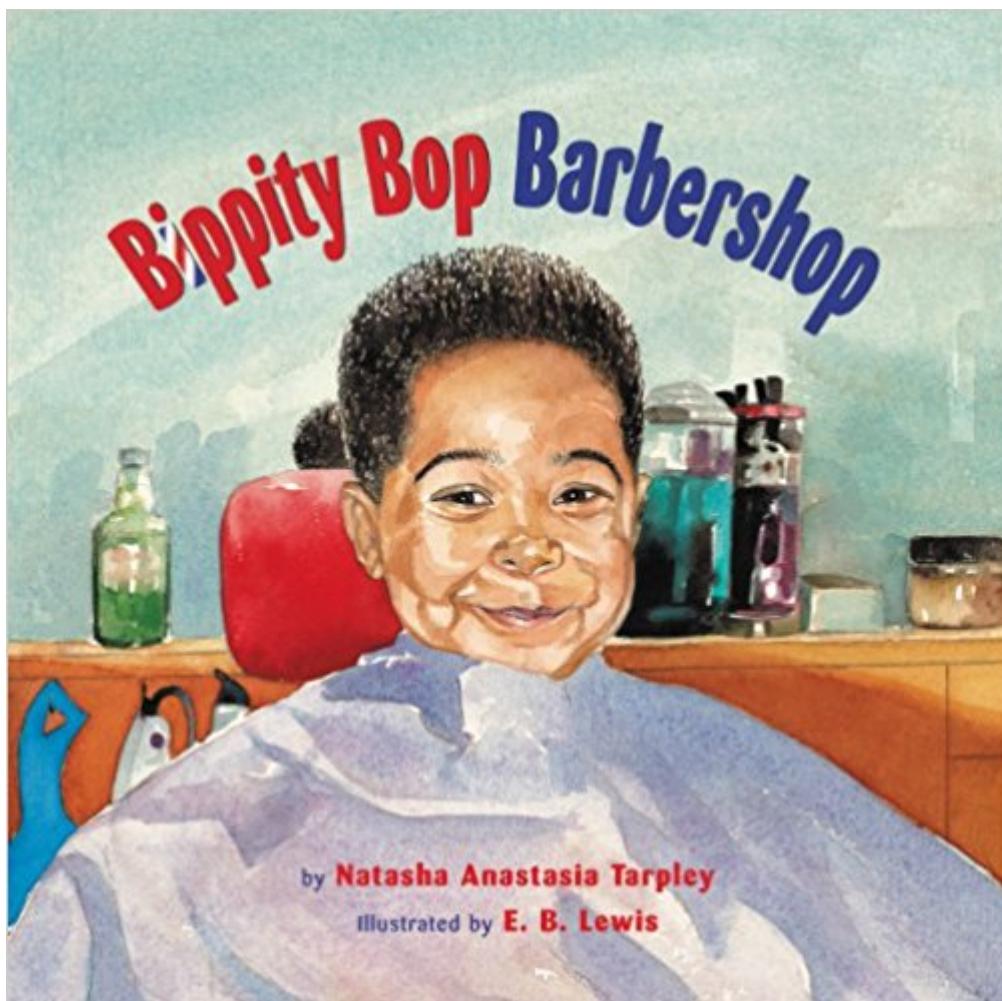


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# Bippity Bop Barbershop



## **Synopsis**

In this companion book to the bestselling *I Love My Hair*, a young boy, Miles, makes his first trip to the barbershop with his father. Like most little boys, he is afraid of the sharp scissors, the buzzing razor, and the prospect of picking a new hairstyle. But with the support of his dad, the barber, and the other men in the barbershop, Miles bravely sits through his first haircut. Written in a reassuring tone with a jazzy beat and illustrated with graceful, realistic watercolors, this book captures an important rite of passage for boys and celebrates African-American identity.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## **Customer Reviews**

What Natasha Anastasia Tarpley did for the mother-daughter bond in *I Love My Hair!* she now does for father and son in *Bippity Bop Barbershop*, illus. by E.B. Lewis. One full-bleed watercolor spread depicts three generations of men draped in purple barber's capes, each with his own distinguished hairstyle. Copyright 2002 Cahners Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Kindergarten-Grade 2-Rites of passage in a child's life are appealing subjects for picture books, and that is the case in this tale of a boy's first haircut. Tarpley's *I Love My Hair!* (Little, Brown, 1998)

celebrates the positive self-image and cultural identity of African-American girls, and Bippity Bop does the same for boys. Miles is nervous about visiting the barber for his first "official" haircut; he's afraid that the buzzing clippers will hurt, and he doesn't know what kind of cut to request. The descriptions of Miles trying to be "brave" are labored and unconvincing. Happily, the resolution of his hairstyle dilemma rings true: he selects a cut just like his daddy's. Miles and Dad leave the shop with identical haircuts, sharing high-fives, "two cool cats" walking to the rhythm of a "bippity bop" beat. Lewis's delightfully fluid watercolor illustrations get everything just right. The book is filled with cheerful and loving scenes of home and community, and remarkably expressive portrayals of men going about their business, tending shop, or awaiting their turns in the barber chair. With its depictions of dreadlocks, Afros, and even gleaming bald pates, Bippety Bop adds diversity to the small but growing niche of multicultural books that celebrate hair. *Mary Ann Carcich, Mattituck-Laurel Public Library, Mattituck, NY* Copyright 2002 Cahners Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

My 5 year-old nephew enjoyed reading this book, it was easy enough for him to read on his own. It's so great that he could see a reflection of himself in literature...kudos to the author. As far as the quality of the book, the pages are nice and thick, with a decent gloss coating. The book is hardcover, which makes it a tad bit harder to destroy. :)

I bought this for my cousin's kid. After buying "I Love My Hair" for his sister. He wanted one of himself. He took one look and said "It's me!" It's his favorite as he relates to haircuts with his dad. It's important for kids to see themselves represented. So glad these books exist! Thank you, Natasha!!

Such a cute story! I purchased it to help my little guy with his fear of going to the barber shop and it was a huge hit! He loved the detailed pictures and I loved the message behind the story. So often we tell our boys "big boys don't cry". This book lets them know while it's okay to cry to try to be brave. Highly recommend this one!

I purchased this for my friend's son because she was struggling to find books with black characters. I bought this book and five others along with James Baldwin's, *Fire Next Time* and sent them all in a package with a letter for her son to open when he turns 13. Each year, I'll be purchasing a plethora of books with characters that look like him that also teach him his heritage and this book was

included in the first package I sent him, which was a huge hit! I'm so excited to find more books like this to send to my friend's precious son! So grateful to have found this!

I am a school teacher with a ten year old daughter and three year old son! He absolutely loves this book, and he is amazed by the specific details that relate to real life in the neighborhood Barbershop!!! He asks for me or his dad to read this book to him everyday, and we too are amazed at all the sight words he picks up from the book! Awesome read!!!!

I purchased this book at my little man's request. His sisters have the book, "I Love My Hair" and he saw that the author also had a version for little boys. I purchased this for his 4th birthday and I can't wait to give it to him. He's had numerous hair cuts and this book will definitely remind him of his visits to the barbershop with dad. It will also allow him to embrace his culture and develop great memories.

Was as pictured Arrived on time

It's nice to have a book that my son can enjoy that depicts characters who look like him. My son enjoys going to the barbershop with his dad & the book illustrates their experience. It is also nice for my son to see positive black characters.

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