

# Shaving Lessons: A Memoir of Father and Son



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With a mixture of admiration, amusement, and alarm, author Kurt Chandler watches his son Ben navigate his freshman year of high school. It's a transitional time for both of them—father at mid-life and son on the path to manhood—which they manage together by awkward graceful turns. As the two share Ben's life adventures, including Ben's first shave, first date, sports tryouts, a road trip, and a rock concert, Kurt gains new insights into his own childhood and relationships with his parents, and the ways in which he handled his own adolescence. Publishing in time for graduation and Father's Day, this moving and honest portrayal of a father-teenage son relationship offers a real unsentimental understanding of what it means to be both a father and a son.