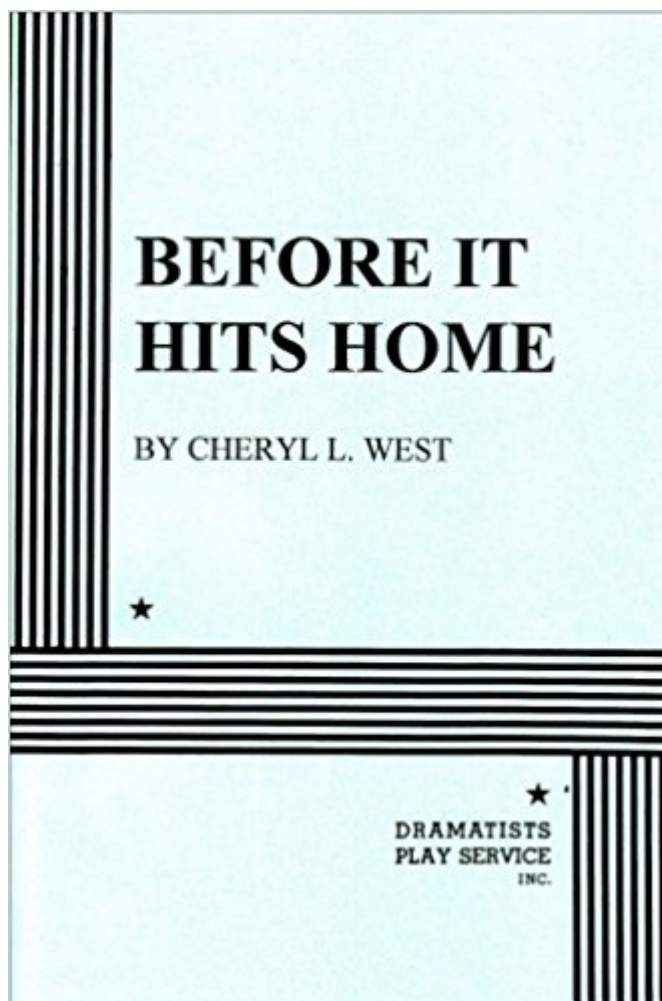


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## Customer Reviews

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Cheryl West really knows how to tug at your heart, and she does this very well through her characters in "Before It Hits Home". I was searching for an audition monologue, and came upon Reba's monologue. I sent for the script, read the entire play, and now it is being considered for production at our local community theatre. The subject matter and the feelings and relationships of her characters are REAL, and the color of the skin DOES NOT MATTER. Cheryl West is a playwriting genius.

One of the greatest plays I've ever read! Cheryl West is definitely an amazing African American writer.

I'm a Senior at Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee and we performed this play last fall. If you are looking for a moving piece that is thought provoking, insightful and a tear-jerker...this is it! I played Wendal, the young man who gets AIDS. One of the things I liked about this play was that no matter what character you chose to study, the play justified their actions and reactions.. Also as the author said, it takes a long hard look at a situation that "isn't supposed to happen" in the black

community. Cheryl West, thank you for giving us this opportunity to educate and inform....

Before it Hits Home was a heart tugging the entire book. It grabbed your attention at the very beginning and did not let go until the end, and even then did not want to let go. You will have to take a few moments to regroup your emotions at the end. This story told of the love of a Mother and Son, but really brought out the unspoken bond between a father and son. It digs deep into the family, grabs you and holds you close to its heart.

Needed it for school. Came in good condition and served its purpose.

Playwrights have a short time frame to present a story that is entertaining and, if the reader/viewer is lucky, inspiring. Cheryl West uses her time wisely. This play is staged well, the characters are realistic, and the reactions of her characters are a bit unexpected. What a pleasure.

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