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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 4–7—Another magical tale that emphasizes every person's unique gifts. Some years have passed in the Beaumont household, in which each family member has a "savvy," or magical ability that manifests itself around age 13. Now it is Gypsy's turn, but her savvy for seeing flashes of the past and future causes her more anxiety than happiness. A vision of her Grandma Pat falling off a clock tower terrifies her, and she determines to prevent it. Worse yet, the curmudgeonly woman has Alzheimer's and will come live with the Beaumonts. This dreaded event has switched everyone's gifts. Gypsy now stops time, her brother Tucker can grow, brother Samson can start fires, and their perfect mother now is clumsy and accident prone. Navigating the new reality, saving Grandma, and accepting her savvy are on Gypsy's to-do list. Law's signature writing style is evident in her third story; whimsical word patterns dance around her savvy characters. Gypsy and her family seem to be in constant, unusual motion, rather like a Willy Wonka elevator. And, much like authors Deborah Wiles or Patricia Reilly Giff, Law contrasts warm family support with personal despair and hardship, nicely balancing her dramatic action with stability and optimism. Gypsy's family will always love her, even if she sends a car into the river (oops). There are a few coincidences and a tidy ending, but overall, Law has again told a story with as much heart as creativity. VERDICT Highly recommended and a musthave for libraries with the previous volumes.—Caitlin Augusta, Stratford Library Association, CT

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Praise for Switch:

"Law has again told a story with as much heart as creativity." -SLJ

"Readers will be caught up in this snowy, magical adventure." –Booklist

"Clever plotting and amiable characters once again enable Law to produce a winning story." -BCCB

"Fans of *Savvy* and *Scumble* will love this book. It is a great classroom read-aloud for upper grade levels."–*SLC*

Savvy Accolades:

Newbery Honor – Winner
ALA Notable Children's Book
Boston Globe-Horn Book Award – Honor
New York Times bestseller
Savvy and Scumble have been nominated for over 30 state awards
Oprah's reading list pick
Al Rocker's Book Club for Kids selection

Scumble Accolades:

New York Times bestseller
Kid's Next List selection
Kansas State Reading Circle Recommended Read
A Chicago Public Library Best of the Best Books Selection
A Smithsonian Notable Book for Children

About the Author

Ingrid Law is the New York Times bestselling author of two novels for young readers, *Savvy* and *Scumble*. Ingrid's books have been placed on more than 30 state reading lists, and have earned accolades from *Publishers Weekly*, Oprah's reading list, the Today Show's Al Roker's Book Club for Kids, and the Smithsonian. *Savvy* was named a Newbery Honor book in 2009. She lives in Lafayette, Colorado.

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