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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 must-have for libraries with the previous volumes.—Caitlin Augusta, Stratford Library Association, CT

Review

Praise for *Switch*:

"Along with turning her increasingly self-confident protagonist's fondness for spontaneous twirling into a thematic leitmotif, [Law] salts the narrative with wonderfully silly words and the cast with helpful, warmhearted allies."—Kirkus Reviews

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"Law tenderly handles the challenges of having a grandparent with Alzheimer's, highlighting the power of familial love... Readers will be caught up in this snowy, magical adventure and the characters' efforts to balance their true, sparkly selves with growing up."—Booklist

"Eccentricity abounds, with vibrant supporting characters... Gypsy carries on the family traditions with aplomb."—Horn Book

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 Rucker'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 three novels for young readers about the Beaumont family: *Savvy*, *Scumble*, and *Switch*. Her 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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