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Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

At the start of this gut-wrenching stand-alone from bestseller Scottoline (*Think Twice*), an explosion rips through the nearly empty cafeteria of Reesburgh (Pa.) Elementary School. Lunch mother Rose McKenna leads two girls to safety before racing to rescue her own daughter, Melly, but Rose soon learns that she may face both civil and criminal charges for her heroics because one of the girls she saved was seriously injured in the resulting fire that killed three school staff members. The tension rises as the united front presented by Rose and her lawyer husband, Leo Ingrassia, begins to disintegrate in the face of media demands, legal maneuverings, and social pressures. Rose must also deal with school bullying (Melly has a noticeable facial blemish), difficult legal problems, and her husband's reaction when a secret from her past is revealed. Scottoline melds it all into a satisfying nail-biting thriller sure to please her growing audience. 400,000 first printing; author tour. (Apr.)

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From [Booklist](#)

Suburban mom [Rose McKenna] is forced to make a split-second decision after an explosion goes off in the school cafeteria in which she volunteers. Should she rescue her own daughter, Melly, trapped in the bathroom, or lead the girls standing in front of her, who constantly bully her daughter, to safety? Her choice reverberates throughout the little town of Reesburgh, Pennsylvania, as she is cast as the villain by the local news anchor, parents, and the school. While her attorney and husband construct a defense plan that includes filing a lawsuit against the school, [Rose] sets out to seek the truth behind this mysterious, accidental fire. With the help of a construction worker who may know the cause of the explosion as well as an incognito visit to a local factory, [Rose] slowly unravels the truth and along with it some hidden secrets in Reesburgh's dark past, including one horrifying buried memory of her own. At the quick pace of a thriller, Scottoline masterfully fits every detail into a tight plot chock-full of real characters, real issues, and real thrills. A story anchored by the impenetrable power of a mother's love, it begs the question, just how far would you go to save your child? --Annie McCormick

Review

“Are you a good mother if you save your child from disaster? What if it means sacrificing another's child? In *Save Me*, Lisa Scottoline walks readers into this charged moral dilemma and then takes them on an intense, breathless ride where accidents might not be accidents at all. You won't be able to put this one down.” *Jodi Picoult*

“Each staccato chapter adds new and unexpected turns, so many you could get whiplash just turning a page. Scottoline knows how to keep readers in her grip.” *The New York Times Book Review*

“The Scottoline we love as a virtuoso of suspense, fast action, and intricate plot is back in top form in *Save Me*.” *The Washington Post Book World*

“A white-hot crossover novel about the perils of mother love.” *Kirkus Reviews*

“A satisfying, nail-biting thriller.” *Publishers Weekly*

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"An emotionally riveting novel that explores the depths of one mother's love for her daughter. Powerful, provocative, and page-turning!" ?*Emily Giffin*

"A novel packed with excitement and emotion, *Save Me* is a gut-clenching, heart-stirring read." ?*Sandra Brown*

"Heart-pounding! Scottoline provides the perfect combination of explosive action, twisting turns, and genuine emotion in this exciting novel of an ordinary mom going to extraordinary lengths for her daughter. Open up *Save Me*, and save yourself with a great book." --Lisa Gardner "From one shock to the next, only a mom's courage and love bring justice. Nerves-on-edge, heart-pounding, and heart-wrenching, *Save Me* is thrilling and infused with love. Brilliant, I couldn't put it down." ?*Louise Penny*

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