

## **Savvy**

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Q. Why is Mibs' 13<sup>th</sup> birthday so special?

A. Mibs & her siblings get their savvy at 13. Savvy is an unworldly power that runs in their mother's family.

Q. How many children are there in the Beaumont family?

A. 5: Rocket, Fish, Mississippi,(Mibs), Samson & Gypsy.

Q. Where are Mibs' parents on her 13<sup>th</sup> birthday?

A. Her father was in a bad car accident & is in a coma in the hospital. Her mother & Rocket are at his side.

Q. Why does Mibs think she can help her father?

A. Because she thinks she woke up Samson's dead turtle whom they thought had died.

Q. Why does Mibs want to go to Selina?

A. Her father is in the hospital in Selina & she thinks she can use her Savvy to awaken him.

Q. Does Mibs have a 13<sup>th</sup> birthday party?

A. Yes, Miss Rosemary, the pastor's wife plans it at the church.

Q. What is Mibs' Savvy?

A. To hear other people's thoughts.

Q. How does Mibs get to Selina?

A. In a pink Heartland Bible Supply bus.

Q. Who is driving the bus?

A. Lester.

Q. How many kids snuck on the bus?

A. 5, Fish, Mibs, Samson, Bobbi & Will.

Q. Who is the other grown up on the bus?

A. Lil, Les picked her up on the highway, when he saw her standing by her broken down car.

Q. Why is Lester Lil's knight in shining armor?

A. Lester picked up Lil when she was having car trouble & helped pick up her pay when she was fired from waitressing @ the diner.

Q. How does Mibs know what Bobbi is thinking?

A. Bobbi's angel-devil temporary tattoo talks to her.

Q. Did Will take back the pen he gave to Mibs?

A. No, he just borrowed it to draw something on his hand.

Q. Who becomes Mib's boyfriend?

A. Bobbi's brother, Will.

Q. What is the name of the store where Lil went shopping for swimsuits & groceries for the overnight at the motel?

A. MegaMegaMart

Q. What does Scumble mean?

A. To control one's Savvy.

Q. What happened on Fish's 13<sup>th</sup> birthday?

A. Fish's savvy is the weather & on his 13<sup>th</sup> birthday there was a terrible hurricane. Fish is still learning to control his savvy.

Q. Who is Miss Mermaid?

A. Papa's navy tattoo.

Q. Who was Will's real father?

A. Jim, the state trooper, who was also Bobbi's older brother.

Q. How could Mibs hear what people were thinking?

A. Through ink as in tattoos & drawings. For example, through her father's Miss Mermaid, navy tattoo.

Q. What was Mib's mother's savvy?

A. To do everything perfectly.

Q. What was Rocket's savvy?

A. Electricity.

Q. What did Mibs hear Papa thinking?

A. give up? Don't give up, I don't give up.

Q. What was Papa's savvy?

A. Determination, never giving up.

Q. Did Lester & Lil stay together?

A. Yes.

Q. Did Papa go home from the hospital?

A. Yes.

Q. How had Papa changed?

A. Sometimes he forgot things.

Q. What was a favorite saying of Lil's?

A. You never can tell when a bad thing might make a good thing happen.

Q. Do you think everyone has a savvy?

A. Yes, we all have something we are good at.