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Description:

From School Library Journal Gr 9 Up-In this sequel to *Awaken* (Houghton Harcourt, 2011), Maddie again finds herself railing against the omnipresent digital world. From Digital School (DS) to virtual night clubs, teens have access to anything their hearts desire, but only via a computer screen. Real-life interactions are a thing of the past in this brave new world, a fact that Maddie cannot accept. To make matters worse, her father is the creator of DS, and many of her decisions deepen the growing rift between them. At the top of this list of bad decisions is Maddie's choice of boyfriend. Justin is the leader of the DS resistance, a group bent on exposing the dangers of the digital-only life and eliminating the detention centers that are used to forcibly propagate this lifestyle. Justin's fervor for this cause explodes when Maddie's attempts to buck the system land her inside one of these dreaded centers. She is forced to endure a treatment her captors refer to as "The Cure" for six months as Justin and her compatriots gather evidence and make a plan for her escape, a plan that must succeed or real life will forever be a part of the past. In *Middle Ground*, Kacvinsky presents a compelling argument for the lost art of conversation, set against a dark version of our possible

collective future. Maddie is a pleasingly reluctant heroine, resulting in a story that is as fresh as it is timely.-Colleen S. Banick, Westport Public Schools, CTα(c) Copyright 2011. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

From In this sequel to *Awaken* (2011), Maddie has come to Los Angeles to stay with her brother and keep a low profile. After she hacks into a computer system and shuts down a nightclub, she is sent to a dreaded detention center where it will take all her strength and determination to resist the nightmare reprogramming techniques being used on the inmates. Kacvinsky's message is overt, and the beginning is slowgoing. But plenty of background is provided for new readers, and the ending is open-ended enough to suggest another installment. A timely title that will provoke plenty of discussion. Grades 8-12. --Lynn Rutan --This text refers to the edition.

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