Snakes and Ladders
by Mary-anne Scott

Keynote
Life can be like a game of snakes and ladders ...

Description
Finn’s druggie Dad is on trial for manslaughter, and so Finn is sent away to an exclusive boarding school to remove him from the small-town gossip machine. At first he feels a bit like a fish out of water, but soon makes some good friends, and even scores with the much-lusted-after Mia, who plays in the symphonic band with him. However there is someone who knows Finn’s secret ...

Blackmail and lies ... will Finn ever face the truth? It’s not until disaster befalls one of his friends at an illicit after-ball party that Finn learns what is most important in life.

Sales points
• Gripping, accessible read from a new author
• Features interesting characters that teens will relate to, facing modern issues and experiences that reflect their own lives
• Vibrant, contemporary and engaging

About the author
Mary-anne Scott was born in Hastings, NZ, into a large family of nine children. Her mother, Joy Watson, authored the award-winning Grandpa’s Cardigan series. Reading and music were her main interests as she grew up and everyone in the family learned at least two instruments. Mary-anne is married with four sons, and lives in Havelock North. Snakes and Ladders is her first book.

Awards