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From School Library Journal Grade 9 Up—Mary Pearson's novel (Holt, 2008) provides a thoughtprovoking and intriguing examination of what really makes us human and where to draw the line with fast developing technological and medical advances. Jenna Fox wakes from a coma more than a year after having an "accident." With no memory, she slowly learns to function physically, but she can't seem to connect emotionally. Written in a beautiful symphony of revealed memories, Jenna slowly begins to recognize that a secret is being kept from her and something complex and dangerous is going on. As she realizes that she essentially died in the infamous "accident" and was reborn through her father's controversial discovery. Jenna begins to question biomedical ethics and human nature. Narrator Jenna Lamia excels at evoking the haunting, yet detached way that Jenna begins to connect the events in her life. Combining science fiction, medical mystery, and teen relationships into an excellent package that is satisfying from beginning to end, this is a must-have for all collections.—*Jessica Miller, New Britain Public Library, CT* Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the edition.

From Lamia invests the characters in this science-fiction story with a variety of textures and tones. Seventeen-year-old Jenna Fox wakes from what she believes is a year-long coma, becoming reacquainted with herself by watching recordings made by her doting parents. Lamia artfully voices Jenna's increasing awareness as she gathers clues about her past. Speaking deliberately enough to allow us to identify with the teen's emotions and engage directly in her questions and beliefs about her restored body and the science that has made restoration possible, if not ethical, Lamia never allows the thought-provoking, tense story to drag. Smoothly moving between ages and genders, Lamia's performance is unified and dynamic. By contrast, a concluding author interview sounds unrehearsed and candid, even if the content adds another layer of ambivalence to the novel's question of how to cope with what we can and should do in matters of life and death. Grades 8-12. --Francisca Goldsmith --This text refers to the edition.

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