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# Sometimes Smart Is Good (English And Spanish Edition)



## Synopsis

Smart people can explain the world around us; strong people can keep us safe; talented people can show us things that are beautiful. It's good to be smart, and strong, and talented. But what about people who don't have these abilities? With sweet, sensitive illustrations, this English-Spanish bilingual book underscores the values of love, patience, and kindness, teaching young readers that all people -- regardless of their abilities -- are valuable as children of God. Sometimes smart is good, but unconditional love and acceptance are always good.

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## Customer Reviews

World" **Wise and brightly illustrated.**" *Catholic Observer*" This bilingual children's book is not only a joy to behold, with its rainbow-hued illustrations on every page, but also has a message that touches the hearts of any age." *Montreal Anglican*" With appropriate illustrations . . . the story differentiates between the traits that are 'sometimes good' and others that are 'always good.' "

Dena Fox Luchsinger is the founder of Proyecto Down, a series of programs designed to serve families affected by developmental disabilities in Mexico. She lives with her family in Alaska. This is her first children' book.

The debut children's book of Proyecto Down , the founder Dena Fox Luchsinger, Sometimes Smart Is Good is a bilingual English/Spanish picturebook with an important life lesson for young readers, and part of a series of programs designed to help families affected by developmental disabilities in Monterrey, Mexico. Sometimes being smart is good, and so is being strong, or talented, but there is more to goodness, and life, than that. "What is always good? Kind is always good... like helping someone, or visiting a lonely person, or being a friend." The gentle, faintly impressionistic artwork shows a physically and mentally handicapped girl in a chair as the text reads, "This is my friend Daniela. She reminds me that all people are important just because God made them. Sometimes smart is good. Loving other people just because God made them is always good." A profound and meaningful bilingual picturebook with a simple spiritual message, highly recommended.

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