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Celeste Walters has built a reputation for writing novels that challenge our perceptions and understanding of teenage life and the effect institutions have on our society. In her new novel *At Seventeen* we see the world through the eyes of Catherine as she enters boarding school for her final two years while her parents move to Spain. Her brother Henry will cope; captain of the team, academic, oblivious younger sibling, but not Catherine. She yearns for a connection with her mother, recognition of her creative talent, and the warmth and support that her family seems unable to provide. When she stumbles across a collection of papers left by her late grandmother, the celebrated artist Clarissa Harris, Catherine discovers a connection and a deep family secret. The papers reveal a person with similar hopes and dreams, and a voice that also longs for meaning and understanding. This prompts Catherine to uncover the story of her lineage and ultimately confront her mother with the truth, a revelation that could heal or shatter the fragile fabric of the family forever. Told in engaging and dynamic present-tense prose, the novel takes you deep into Catherine's world and provides an intimate tale in the process. A delicious treat for older teens or anyone wanting to remember the heady days of 17.

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