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## Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Kindergarten-Grade 2 In this easy-read chapter book, Andy Shane and Dolores Starbuckle both select Egypt as their project for the Cultural Fair at school. Andy's grandmother has given him a scarab beetle in plastic, and Dolores dresses like an Egyptian queen. Andy isn't keen on working with bossy Dolores, and losing a t-ball game because Dolores is dancing like an Egyptian in the stands doesn't make him any more enthusiastic. Jennifer Richard Jacobson's book (Candlewick, 2008) is expressively read by Rachel Lillis, who provides a variety of voices for the characters. A musical background and sound effects enhance the telling. Page-turn signals are optional. The story deals realistically with children's feelings, relationships, and attitudes. This title for beginning readers can also be used to encourage struggling readers and to help ELLs. *Ann Elders, Mark Twain Elementary School, Federal Way, WA*

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From [Booklist](#)

On the day when Andy's classmates are to choose African countries for their projects, Dolores arrives dressed as an ancient Egyptian queen, expecting to sign up for her country of choice. Andy snags Egypt instead and must decide whether to work with Dolores. He vacillates believably, weighing her annoying attributes against her less apparent good traits. Andy, who lives with his grandmother, makes a sympathetic figure as he deals with this dilemma. Sensitively written and expressively illustrated in pencil with black watercolor wash, this is the third volume in the enjoyable Andy Shane series for beginning readers Grades K-2. --Carolyn Phelan

Review

I Am the Queen

Andy Shane parked his bike and shifted the weight in his backpack. "Let's meet by the tree when the clock says three," he said.

"I will ride my bike, or we will have to hike," said Granny Webb.

Granny and Andy had been talking in rhymes all morning. It was hard to stop once you got started.

"Oh, wait!" said Granny.

"Don't be late," said Andy, waving good-bye.

"No, really," called Granny Webb. "I have something for you."

Andy turned back to see what Granny was pulling from her pocket. Whatever it was appeared to be on the end of a long gold chain.

"Oooh," said Andy, moving closer. It was a dark green bug frozen in clear plastic. "A beetle!"

"A scarab beetle!" said Granny.

"Is this Egyptian?" asked Andy.

Andy knew that the scarab beetle was important to the people of ancient Egypt.

"I think so," said Granny Webb, handing it to Andy. "I knew you were thinking about African countries last night, and a memory of it popped into my head while I was heading off to bed!"

Andy laughed at Granny's rhyme.

"Thanks," he said, and he headed into school.

"What do you think of my new sandals, Andy Shane?" asked Dolores Starbuckle as they sat down at their desks.

"Cool," said Andy.

"I made them myself with milk cartons and glitter," said Dolores. Andy noticed that Dolores Starbuckle was particularly fancy this morning.

"I hope each of you has chosen an African country," said Ms. Janice. "We need to get ready for the school Culture Fair."

Dolores Starbuckle sat up as tall as she could.

"Polly," said Ms. Janice with her pen in the air, ready to write, "what country would you like to learn about?"

"Kenya," said Polly. "My uncle went to Kenya."

Kenya was a large country with deserts and rain forests. Andy had almost chosen Kenya.

"Ahmed?" asked Ms. Janice.

"The Gambia."

Ms. Janice told the class that The Gambia was a small farming country. Andy thought he might like to be a farmer one day.

"Andy Shane?"

Andy touched his pocket. "Egypt," he said softly.

"I'm sorry, Andy," said Ms. Janice. "I didn't hear you."

"I think he said Ethiopia," said Dolores. She was always trying to be helpful.

"Is that right, Andy?" asked Ms. Janice.

Andy shook his head.

"Do you mean Nigeria, Andy Shane?" said Dolores. "I think you mean Ni-geeeee-ria."

"Egypt," Andy said more loudly.

"But you can't choose Egypt," said Dolores, springing out of her seat. "I'm wearing my white Egyptian clothes and my gold jewelry. I even made sandals. I am the QUEEN of Egypt."

The class laughed.

Andy slumped down on his desk. Why did Dolores Starbuckle always insist on getting what she wanted? But he couldn't argue with her- not in front of the whole class!

Andy knew everyone was waiting for his answer. He wished he could disappear altogether.

"We'll work this out later," said Ms. Janice. She finished calling on the children. Then she told the class to line up for a visit to the library, where they could begin their research.

"Andy Shane," she said, "you're line leader."

Dolores stood in front of Andy.

"Andy Shane, you know I loooove Egypt!" she said. "I even have a model of a sphinx!"

"What's a sphinx?" asked Polly.

"A statue. Mine has a lion's body with a bird's head," said Dolores.

"Weird," said Polly.

"But I have this," said Andy. He pulled out the beetle.

"Oooh," said Dolores, admiring the necklace. She sighed a long, deep sigh. Then her face brightened. "Can we work together, Andy Shane?"

Andy didn't know what to say. He liked to take his time with ideas, see how they felt. And right now, he did not feel like giving Dolores her way.

"I'll think about it," he said.

*From the Hardcover edition.*

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