

The Battle of Darcy Lane

By Tara Altebrando

Download now

Read Online

The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando

It is summertime, and twelve-year-old Julia Richards cannot stand the anticipation. Everyone on Darcy Lane seems to be holding their breath waiting for the cicadas to emerge, but what Julia and her best friend, Taylor, want is some real excitement. Which arrives in the form of a new neighbor named Alyssa, who introduces a ball game called Russia . . . and an unwelcome level of BFF rivalry.

Suddenly nothing stands unchallenged—not Julia's friendships, her crush, or her independence. But while Julia realizes that she cannot control all the changes in her life, she hangs onto the hope that everything will go in her favor if she can just win one magnificent showdown.

Acclaimed author Tara Altebrando's middle-grade debut features a voice that is true to the adolescent experience, where everything is felt acutely in a whirlwind of all-or-nothing emotion.

Download The Battle of Darcy Lane ...pdf

Read Online The Battle of Darcy Lane ...pdf

The Battle of Darcy Lane

By Tara Altebrando

The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando

It is summertime, and twelve-year-old Julia Richards cannot stand the anticipation. Everyone on Darcy Lane seems to be holding their breath waiting for the cicadas to emerge, but what Julia and her best friend, Taylor, want is some real excitement. Which arrives in the form of a new neighbor named Alyssa, who introduces a ball game called Russia . . . and an unwelcome level of BFF rivalry.

Suddenly nothing stands unchallenged—not Julia's friendships, her crush, or her independence. But while Julia realizes that she cannot control all the changes in her life, she hangs onto the hope that everything will go in her favor if she can just win one magnificent showdown.

Acclaimed author Tara Altebrando's middle-grade debut features a voice that is true to the adolescent experience, where everything is felt acutely in a whirlwind of all-or-nothing emotion.

The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #322223 in Books
- Published on: 2014
- Released on: 2014-04-22
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 8.50" h x .75" w x 5.50" l, .66 pounds
- Binding: Hardcover
- 208 pages

Download The Battle of Darcy Lane ...pdf

Read Online The Battle of Darcy Lane ...pdf

Download and Read Free Online The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando

Editorial Review

From School Library Journal
Gr 5–7—Several battles are being waged on Darcy Lane this summer, all of which involve Julia Richards, a supersmart 12-year-old with a passion for reading and the clarinet. She persistently challenges her kind, but protective, parents for a bra, a cell phone, and a less babyish bedroom. She fiercely competes with new-girl-on-the-block Alyssa for the attention of maybe-best-friend Taylor. And she struggles mightily to make sense of who she is and who she might be. (On considering the unicorns and dolls that adorn her room: "I wanted to get rid of everything. The problem was this: I had nothing to put in its place.") Altebrando's clear, intelligent writing captures the sweet details that comprise Julia's everyday life: a fresh coat of paint for her bedroom, a brilliant band-camp concert, a slice of birthday cake shared compatibly with the boy next door. While the book's setting is never explicated, references to a historic cicada swarm plus talk of the "island," the "city," and the "ferry" likely place the story in 2013 and on Staten Island, the author's hometown. Frequent use of the cicada as a marker for nature and time ("I tried to think ahead, another seventeen years, to imagine what things would be like when the cicadas come back") feels a bit forced and may confuse readers unfamiliar with the phenomenon, but this is a slight misstep in an otherwise charming and authentic first purchase.—Susan Wengler, Saint Dominic Academy, Jersey City, NJ

From Booklist
Twelve-year-old Julia is looking forward to spending her summer playing with her best friend, Taylor, and nursing a crush on her neighbor Peter. But when a new girl, Alyssa, moves in across the street, suddenly Taylor doesn’t want to be friends anymore. For a while, Julia tries to fit in with Alyssa and Taylor, even learning their complicated handball game, but Alyssa and Taylor get meaner and meaner, calling Julia names, teasing her for being nervous about grown-up TV shows, and calling her house so often her mother unplugs the phone. Luckily, Julia’s stalwart and loving parents, along with a handful of true friends, help her develop the confidence to be happy with herself. This quietly empowering story from the author of The Best Night of Your (Pathetic) Life (2013) is a refreshingly honest take on bullying. Julia is a flawed but earnest girl, and she learns how to deal with mean girls at her own pace and with cheer-worthy dignity. Readers searching for something similar to the books of Beverly Cleary or Judy Blume should look no further. Grades 3-6. --Sarah Hunter

Review

“Altebrando brings rich, realistic depth to all of her characters... It's a smart, sensitive portrait of an age when change is in the air, for better or worse.”
—Publishers Weekly

“Altebrando's clear, intelligent writing captures the sweet details that comprise Julia's everyday life… charming and authentic”.
—School Library Journal

"This quietly empowering story... is a refreshingly honest take on bullying. Julia is a flawed but earnest girl, and she learns how deal with mean girls at her own pace and with cheer-worthy dignity. Readers searching for something similar to Beverly Cleary or Judy Blume should look no further."
—Booklist

“This book would be a safe read for girls on the verge of adolescence or struggling with friendships, and

would be a good addition to an elementary library or for young middle school readers."
—VOYA

"Sweet humor, deftly written characters, and a realistic plot make this a great story that is perfect for an upper grade read-aloud."
—Children's Literature

Users Review

From reader reviews:

James Marcus:

Do you among people who can't read satisfying if the sentence chained inside straightway, hold on guys this particular aren't like that. This The Battle of Darcy Lane book is readable by simply you who hate those straight word style. You will find the facts here are arrange for enjoyable looking at experience without leaving actually decrease the knowledge that want to provide to you. The writer regarding The Battle of Darcy Lane content conveys the thought easily to understand by many people. The printed and e-book are not different in the information but it just different available as it. So , do you even now thinking The Battle of Darcy Lane is not loveable to be your top record reading book?

Gregory Mendoza:

Often the book The Battle of Darcy Lane will bring that you the new experience of reading some sort of book. The author style to spell out the idea is very unique. If you try to find new book to learn, this book very acceptable to you. The book The Battle of Darcy Lane is much recommended to you to learn. You can also get the e-book in the official web site, so you can quicker to read the book.

Gregory Rivera:

You could spend your free time to see this book this reserve. This The Battle of Darcy Lane is simple to bring you can read it in the area, in the beach, train as well as soon. If you did not get much space to bring the printed book, you can buy the e-book. It is make you much easier to read it. You can save typically the book in your smart phone. So there are a lot of benefits that you will get when you buy this book.

Christopher Burnham:

Do you like reading a guide? Confuse to looking for your selected book? Or your book had been rare? Why so many query for the book? But any kind of people feel that they enjoy for reading. Some people likes examining, not only science book but novel and The Battle of Darcy Lane or perhaps others sources were given know-how for you. After you know how the fantastic a book, you feel want to read more and more. Science e-book was created for teacher or perhaps students especially. Those books are helping them to bring their knowledge. In other case, beside science book, any other book likes The Battle of Darcy Lane to make your spare time considerably more colorful. Many types of book like here.

Download and Read Online The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando #RYZT5FPHN8B

Read The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando for online ebook

The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando books to read online.

Online The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando ebook PDF download

The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando Doc

The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando Mobipocket

The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando EPub

RYZT5FPHN8B: The Battle of Darcy Lane By Tara Altebrando