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An Introduction to **Nefertiti's Gown**, a Graphic
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Many people have looked at the bust of the enigmatic Nefertiti* in the Berlin Museum and keenly wondered who and what she was. The reworked busts shown with restored eye and ears, and fully pigmented face, are of marginal help; such newly minted renderings 'mask' the entity. The archaeological record may be improving, but the person behind the austere or serene look remains mysterious. Less haunting but as curious is Nefertiti's appearance in some artifacts including her gowns, or gown, which invites wry speculation. Did she really dress like that? Even in public? Well, if you think the matter of interest only to peek freaks you should leave now. But if an adroit explanation is welcome, an explanation that also mentions a few cogent necessities of the Akhenaten Court itself, then you may enjoy the fond speculation in **Nefertiti's Gown** — which comprises part of the broader story in the novel, the **Children of the Aten**. *Nefertiti was the Best Wife of Amenhotep IV, also known as Akhenaten, who initiated the singular worship of the Sun Disc, the Aten.

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The book itself has 64 readable pages, taking up 34.1
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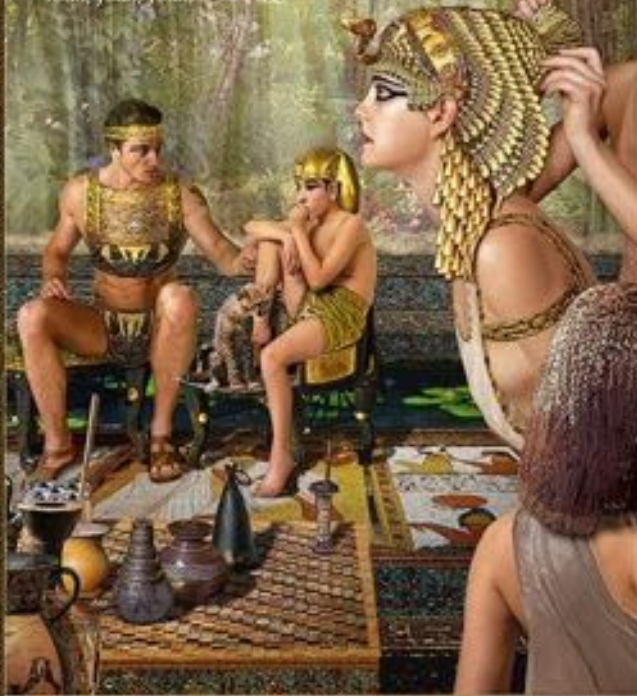
Ay: The pectoral is devised from a stitched fabric?

TUTHMOSIS: Yes. Though this one might be shelved too. Tye's obsessed with the eyes. The busts out front are the most life-like. Nefertiti is round-eyed and often looking down. But they expect a hard severe look. I may have to reset the eye's yet again. Pity.



Ay: Clever. The rite is ages old and rarely invoked. TYE: Another croc in our pantry. Not a ispwing after all.

The Royal Proctor was firm: the Prince was not, repeat NOT, under any pretext, to adorn his pet girls' favorites with false smiles of royal attire, especially the crown. "Is that understood Your-Honness?" "Yeah, yeah, yeah!"



Zuleika herself was cautioned by the Prince's late caprice, but as it was less vexing than some of his exploits, she went along with it, and tried to keep a straight face as the stern warning proceeded.



The well-rehearsed attack with Ay's pet python!