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Review: Everless by Sara Holland

Jules Ember is a seventeen-year-old girl who lives in a world where

time is money, extracted from blood and traded in coins. She and her father, Pehr, are barely making ends meet, which means her father has been selling his blood just to put food on the table. Jules, afraid that her father would die, seeks a better life in the land of Everless, an aristocratic kingdom ruled by wealthy families. Although Jules has a dangerous past with Everless, her and her father being thrown out after seeing a terrible accident between the young lords Liam and Roan Gerling 10 years ago, she is determined to pay off her father's debts. However, Jules's father forbids her return. He believes the kingdom is too dangerous and unsafe because people might recognize her. Jules does not listen to her father and attends the selection of girls to be chosen to go to Everless. After she is selected, she heads off to her old home, fearful of what to expect. She finds a job in the kitchen, helping her father's old friend Lora, and later becomes a servant working to prepare for Lord Roan's wedding to Lady Gold, the Queen's lady-in-waiting.

Throughout the story, Jules faces trials of many kinds such as learning about who she really is, confronting her love for Roan, and finally facing her fears.

Everless by Sara Holland is one of the few fantasy books that I've read, but I really enjoyed it! I liked how Holland used the concept of time with money and the history Jules had with the Gerlings. There were, however, some minor flaws. I didn't like that Jules was known as a 'huntress' even though we only saw her actually go hunting once. I also think that the story ended a little rushed. Other than that, I had a great time reading this, and I would definitely recommend it!

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