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Shari is a med student, months away from being a doctor. Mace is a coder on his first day of an exciting new job. When the world comes to a sudden and horrifying end, none would have expected them to be among the few survivors.

Hyper-aggressive undead creatures hunt anything living on the surface, where even the grass and trees can kill you. Hiding underground is safe, but not much of a life. Their only escape is a virtual world where Shari can use her healing skills, and Mace can focus on something other than his fears.

But Shari is a light elf, and Mace a drow. Their people are ancient enemies, and neither would be welcome in the other's world. Still they strive to come together in the game, while they scavenge for food and fight to stay alive in the real world.

The odds are against them, and their food will eventually run out. Is their best hope for survival to find a way to upload themselves to the game permanently?

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## **From Reader Review The Land of the Undying ( Dark Elf Chronicles Book One) for online ebook**

### **Cr Rider says**

#### **Needs more spirit, but good start**

Strange Tale of zombie apocalypse and litrpg where two young people try to survive underground, infrequent food forays, and engage in vr immersive play to wipe away the hours. Mace, a young tech who was set to start at the VR company, is working on integrating an AI to upload their minds into the game as long-term survival is highly unlikely. Shari, who was on the cusp of starting a medical career, is able to meet up with Mace and assist in the search for more survivors both within and without the game. Some editing errors and mistakes on leveling. Mace leveled up to 41 after a monster fight in the cavern yet was only reaching 40 after a fight with slave traders. Not a bad read but needs something more to make for a more stimulating read.

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### **Johnny says**

#### **Book one**

I'd date this book at 4.5 if I could.

I only had two problems with this book,

1: in one fight the enemy goes from having a sword to an axe then back to a sword.

2: gaming n stuff..... I realize that the author was doing dialog, but if he wrote it all how people tend to speak this would be an unreadable mess, so using just the n instead of and is doing his story a disservice.

Other than that I enjoyed the story and recommend this book.

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### **Andy L says**

#### **Terrific LitRPG that hits all the sweet spots**

Very enjoyable and sweet beginning to it is hopefully series. Thanks to a calamity, much of the world has died. A few survivors struggle to live in a zombie fied world. One survives in an underground complex that house to one of the worlds leading virtual games. To pass the time, he plays in that world, very traditional and enjoyable fantasy world. Along the way he tries to find other survivors.

An excellent, almost lighthearted considering the dystopian aspect, story. Elements of town building, crafting, great magic system, and respect towards women are all present.

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### **Bolajide Adeyoye says**

#### **Best of both worlds**

Do you like post-apocalyptic survival? Then this is the story for you. Do you like high fantasy adventures this is also the story for you...yes, whether you are a fallout fan or a skyrim fan you won't be disappointed.

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### **Arthur Hayes says**

#### **Wonderful book!**

Dave knocked it out of the park and basicly touched base on everything I love! Apocolypse, check. Drow, check. Vicious combat and dark vailence, check. Adorable pets, \o/. Great mix of game and non game story. Plenty of enjoyable references to other titles I enjoy too!

If you have not read Daves work, give it a shot. This book was awsome.

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### **Mike Goodman says**

#### **Terrible IRL Great Rpg**

He destroys my home planet. He kills mostly everyone and almost all life. He makes all living things into Zombies. Why would anyone do something like this even as a thought form story? So the MC lives life as an assassin in a nation of thieves and murderous slavers. Thank the gods he kept the greatest thing of LitRpg stories of having a single point of view... Just kidding...he splits with a female survivor. It is a very entertaining action packed story. Can't wait for the next book.

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### **Matthew says**

#### **Amazingly fun!**

What's great read. I loved the IRL as much as the game. Dave has once again crafted a great story with fun characters. The Mc is op but still makes mistakes and suffers for them. It's not a super crunchy read which I actually like. I think creamy/crunchy litrpg has to fit the style of the author. Either way I loved the book.

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### **Alex says**

I enjoyed this book. normally I find it annoying when the story line goes back and forth between the game and real life but in this one I did not feel that way. I felt the real life story kept me interested as well as the game story. I was disappointed with the game mechanics. What spells does the Mace have access to? Also you know what new spells Shari gets but she had spells before what were they? Now skills you learn nothing about what skills they have or how they level same with spells. You only learn about Mace's skill increase in building and carpentry. It is almost as if he did not increase any other skill during the entire book. You learn from Shari her spells increase in potential as they increase in level. There is just no explanation which is annoying. Shari does not distribute her stat points after the spider frog.

I still gave the book 4 stars because I still really enjoyed it besides some of the issues I identified above. Also these are fixable things.

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### **Erling says**

#### **Good**

Was a little put off in the beginning, but it really took off after the first quarter.

A bit much of m'lady and the author has a fixation on honey and syrup, nothing that distracts from the story as a whole.

Would recommend and will be reading book 2.

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### **David Beebe says**

#### **Awesome!**

At the start of this book, I was a little confused about the store. That wasn't the authors fault. I was confused because it is the first book I've read that switched between VR and the real world. It only took a few pages until I was fully understanding the store. I enjoyed reading this book and found i didn't want to stop when I needed to. That makes it a five star book at least to me. I recommend this book anyone who to read who likes to read sci-fi & fantasy (or anything that Grand ones attention &keeps it throughout the book).

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### **Kilian says**

Another great book by one of my favorite authors. Few stat tables and info dumps and the focus is almost completely on the characters and story (which are both phenomenal). This book probably has the best mix between the real life story and the story in the game I have read to date in the LitRPG/GameLit genre, both are delightful to read about and the switches between storymodes are seemless. Furthermore, the series itself has incredible potential when it comes to the future story development and leaves you wondering what interesting events you would like to see in the next book. All in all, Dave knocked another great book out of the park and I am dying to read more.

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### **Adam Shook says**

#### **Wow**

Good work like usual. I hope shook gets more air time in the next book maybe get the cultures mixing. The book flowed smooth and was well polished only noticed 2 typos. So many interesting characters. Idk what I feel as a player seeing maces build I mean crap a dagger fighter a drow with only what was it 13 dex at level 50? Comeon man for dual wielding finesse weapons like he does hed need at least 15 dex and would be

better to do a sword and dagger Artemis entereri clone, why carry a sword if you don't use it....?

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### **John #Audible says**

I have one HUGE beef with this book and that is when the characters are outside the VR capsule and in the real world. Now if you go by what the author has laid out in the current state of the world, these characters would have been dead to rights from any form of flea, mosquito, sand nat, etc within days and definitely weeks. NO ONE can go weeks without being bitten by something very small. Unless you are in a permanent bubble and never do anything ever again.

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### **Robert says**

#### **Never disappointed**

Never been disappointed by one of this authors books, and I somehow doubt I ever will be. The setup was good, the world building beyond phenomenal. Can't wait for the next!

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### **Davidl Campbell'Sr says**

#### **Yes Another Good One!!**

On a row this week have read a few great stories that exciting plus entertaining. This one even left you wandering what's next with this group of characters Part 2????? Can't wait

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