



Edge of the Known World

by Sheri T. Joseph



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Book Review

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Edge of the Known World is a work of fiction in the dystopian, interpersonal drama, and action-adventure genres. It is best suited to mature readers owing to scenes of moderate violence and sexual references. Penned by author Sheri T. Joseph, this is a fast-paced speculative fiction novel set in a realistic near future, blending love, adventure, and serious themes about family and privacy. Alexandra Tashen, a brilliant student hiding her true identity, embarks on a globe-trotting journey to warn her missing adoptive father of a deadly trap. As she dodges genetic screenings that could reveal her origins, a love triangle unfolds, leading to confounding choices between love, loyalty, and moral obligation.

Author Sheri T. Joseph has crafted a riveting novel that immersed me in a thought-provoking exploration of identity, technology, and the interesting consequences of genetic screening. This is a brilliantly original concept that captures you right from the start. The author adds more layers to bring together elements of suspense, romance, and some sharp social commentary. This realism and attention to detail in attitude and perspective make the context and characters feel all the more credible as we get invested in Alexandra's journey of self-discovery and the ethical dilemmas she faces. Readers will find themselves deep in reflection on the intersection of science, morality, and human rights in our increasingly technologically advanced world. The author's background lends authenticity to the novel's exploration of social issues, while her compassionate portrayal of characters adds depth and nuance to the plot, offering a perfect balance for an intelligent yet deeply felt story. Overall, Edge of the Known World is a thought-provoking debut that I would not hesitate to recommend.