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George, Jessica Day. *Sun and Moon, Ice and Snow*. Bloomsbury, 2008. ISBN 9781599901091.
\$16.95. 328 p.

Reviewer: Marsha D. Broadway

Reading level: Intermediate; Young adult

Rating: Excellent

Genre: Fantasy fiction

Subject: Fairy tales--Juvenile fiction; Folklore--Norway--Juvenile fiction; Books--Reviews;

The lass, a last and unwanted child by her mother, is not given a name. She bonds and works with her older brother Hans Peter when he returns from a chilling adventure. She discovers that she understands the language of animals. When an isbjørner, ice bear, offers wealth to her family in return for her staying with him for a year in a palace, she and her pet wolf accompany him to find enchantment and mystery as she unravels the secrets of the ice palace.

Based on the Norse tale, *East of the Sun and West of the Moon*, this fantasy reads easily and interestingly, adding creative details to the original story. Those who enjoyed Hale's *Goose Girl* (2003) and *Enna Burning* (2004) will find this novel equally appealing.

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