

Do the preparation exercise first. Then read the text and do the exercises to check your understanding.

Preparation: matching

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the number 1–8.

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| 1..... successful | a. to offer to do something |
| 2..... district | b. an adjective to describe something that makes people feel sad or angry |
| 3..... to destroy | c. an adjective to describe something that does well, makes money or is very popular |
| 4..... to rebel | d. to fight against oppressors |
| 5..... to volunteer | e. when the army of one country enters another country |
| 6..... invasion | f. to kill or ruin |
| 7..... upsetting | g. part of a town or country |
| 8..... to complain | h. to say you are not happy with something |

1. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the best answer for these questions.

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| 1. | You can buy <i>The Hunger Games</i> in _____ different languages. | 20
26 |
| 2. | In the story, the Hunger Games are organised by _____ | the people.
the Capitol. |
| 3. | Katniss has a younger sister named _____ | Suzanne.
Prim. |
| 4. | The other 'tribute' from District 12 is called _____ | Colin.
Peeta. |
| 5. | The idea for <i>The Hunger Games</i> came when Suzanne was _____ | watching TV.
reading. |
| 6. | Suzanne's father was a _____ | author.
pilot. |

2. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. | There are ten districts in Panem. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | The 'tributes' must be over 18 years old. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | The author's father was in the Iraq war. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | Some parents complained about the violence in the book. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | <i>The Hunger Games</i> was the first story for young readers to sell a million electronic books. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | The author thinks that reality TV is good for people. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

Have you read this book or seen the film?

Is this the type of book or film you are interested in?

Why do you think this story became so popular?