

**Easy reading: The Hunger Games: Book review (level 3) – exercises**

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

**Preparation**

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

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| 1..... coal                 | a. a primitive weapon  |
| 2..... to rebel             | b. to fight against oppressors   |
| 3..... heroine              | c. to constantly see images or hear ideas (about something)  |
| 4..... to mine              | d. TV advertisements   |
| 5..... bow and arrow        | e. to dig materials up out of the ground   |
| 6..... to be bombarded with | f. a fossil fuel found underground and burned to provide energy  |
| 7..... desensitised         | g. the principal female character in a story   |
| 8..... commercials          | h. an adjective to describe a person who has seen so much of a bad thing that it becomes normal for them |

**1. Check your understanding: gap fill**

Complete the sentences with the correct phrase from the box.

reality TV	different languages	volunteers
watching TV	a mining accident	Minotaur

- The Hunger Games* has been translated into 26 \_\_\_\_\_.
- Katniss \_\_\_\_\_ to go to the Games instead of her sister.
- Katniss lost her father in \_\_\_\_\_.
- The idea for the story came when Suzanne was \_\_\_\_\_ one night.
- When Suzanne was a child, one of her favourite stories was 'Theseus and the \_\_\_\_\_'.
- Suzanne is concerned about the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ we watch nowadays.

## 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. | Suzanne's father was a pilot in the Iraq war.   | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | Some parents complained about the level of violence in the book.                                  | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | <i>The Hunger Games</i> was the first book for young readers to sell a million electronic copies. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | Katniss goes hunting with her friend Peeta.   | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

### Discussion

Are stories like this better in a book or film?

Have you seen the film or read the book? What did you think of the story?

Do you like violent stories?