

SUNRISE ON THE REAPING

by Suzanne Collins

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Rating (0 stars is the absolute worst, 10 stars is the BEST BOOK EVER)



Genre(s):

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Contemporary/Realistic

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Action/adventure

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Science Fiction

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Fantasy

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Romance

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Horror

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Mystery

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Nonfiction

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Historical fiction

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Other:

"Sunrise on the Reaping" is a prequel to "The Hunger Games" series that follows Haymitch Abernathy as he is reaped for the fiftieth Hunger Games, an annual ceremony where twenty-four children ages twelve to eighteen are chosen randomly to fight to the death for the country to watch. This year, a year of a Quarter Quell, double the tributes are selected for the Games where only one can survive. This story tells his survival journey, the alliances he makes, and what awaits him on the other side of victory. "Sunrise on the Reaping" takes place in Panem, a fictional dystopian setting, twenty-five years before the original trilogy.

This book is very heavy, with many upsetting topics such as death and violence. These both make the reader connect with the characters and themes deeply, and makes it so you're very able to put yourself in the shoes of the protagonists. I would fully recommend this book to anyone who has read The Hunger Games trilogy, since it introduces another point of view and ties the world of Panem together with plot details that fill in previous holes. I would recommend this book to nearly anybody, but especially enjoyers of dystopia and contemporary books. It's a great political commentary, often focusing on aristocracy and dictatorship. If you're a fan of pretty much any science fiction, this book is for you.

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