

CATCHING FIRE

by Suzanne Collins

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



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Catching Fire follows Katniss Everdeen after her unexpected victory in the Hunger Games. The story follows her struggles after tricking the capitol and putting a target on her back. Her actions in the previous year have sparked unrest in the various districts of Panem, causing president snow to view her as a threat to his control. As tensions rise, Katniss is forced back into the public eye, and eventually back into the arena, where it becomes clear that the dangers and obstacles in the first round were nothing compared to what is to come. This story combines emotion, suspense, and action into a novel that keeps you on the edge of your seat like no other.

As a sequel, I think this book did a great job at raising the stakes and intensity without losing track of the plot. The world feels bigger and more dangerous, and the political tension never seems to let up. The new arena is creative and unsettling, with new methods of possible death seeming to appear every page. This unknowingness of what the next chapter has to come makes this book one of the most engaging ones I have ever read. Katniss also becomes a more complex character here, and gets torn between survival and responsibility. As the story progresses Katniss learns how to both survive in this new world and to tend to her family and friends at the same time.

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By Nate R, 10th grade, enjoys reading science fiction & action/adventure

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I would definitely recommend Catching Fire to anyone who enjoys dystopian stories with dynamic characters, fast moving plots, and a lot of action. It's especially great for people who enjoy books that have a complex combination of action with emotions and politics. Even if you're not usually into fiction, this one has enough tension and moral conflict to keep it interesting and make it feel like you are actually in the book and looking from the eyes of Katniss. So, in conclusion, if you are a fan of either the first Hunger Games, or a fan of action, adventure, or honestly most genres, I highly suggest you read Catching Fire.