**The Hunger Games**

In *Collins's* *The Hunger Games*, Katniss Everdeen undergoes a profound transformation from a resourceful survivor to a symbol of rebellion against the oppressive Capitol. From her humble beginnings in District 12, Katniss's character is shaped by the harsh realities of poverty and the threat of the Hunger Games. Yet her *experiances* in the Capitol and the arena further shape her into a courageous and determined individual, inspiring the rebellion.

For starters, Katniss's early life in District 12 is marked by hardship. Katniss is an oppressed, brave girl forced to provide for her family, and her hunting skills become essential for their survival. Her love for her sister Prim is a driving force in her life. Katniss was brought up in hardship, "wer’e lucky to get two or three hours of electricity in the evenings" (*Collins,s.5*). This shows Katniss was *refused* basic rights like electricity. This upbringing helped shape her resilience and determination. Katniss was also severely oppressed by the Capitol and was afraid to speak out, "I avoid discussing tricky topics like the *Reaping* or food shortages or the Hunger Games" (*Collins,s.9*). This links back to her tough upbringing and *oppression*, this oppression would later be *challanged*.

For instance, when Katniss is selected as the female tribute for District 12, her *experiances* in the Capitol contrast to her familiar surroundings. The Capitol's beauty and extravagance are foreign to her, and she feels out of place, "each district has an entire floor you simply step into an elevator" (*Colloniss,73*). This shows how different the Capitol is to D12. Katniss is also presented with new experiences that are unavailable to her back in District 12: "A silent young man dressed in a white tunic offers us all a *steemed* glass of wine. I think of turning it down, but I've never had wine" (*colloniss,76*). Katniss is realizing how unjust society is and how she's been missing out on a lot. Here in the Capitol, beginning to fuel her growing anger and defiance.

Finally, Katniss's true transformation is shown in the arena, where she must fight for herself against other tributes. The Hunger Games are a test of mental and physical endurance: "A stabbing pain shoots through my knee" (*Colloniss,102*). This quote shows how painful and dangerous the Hunger Games is. Katniss later develops empathy for Peeta: "I'm not thinking of Gale, but of Peeta" (*Colloniss,196*). This shows Katniss really cares for Peeta and this action begins to make her a symbol of rebellion and defiance against the Capitol as she is willing to disobey their rules. Katniss's *transfornation* from a survivor to a symbol of rebellion has begun.

In conclusion, Katniss's development in *The Hunger Games* is attributed to her resilience, courage, and determination. From humble *beginings* in District 12 to her *experiances* in the Capitol and arena, Katniss undergoes a profound transformation. She evolves from a resourceful survivor to a symbol of hope and defiance against the Capitol.