

## The Hunger Games: A Study in Gambling

"Happy Hunger Games! And may the odds be ever in your favour."

## Introduction

A popular book used in many schools, The Hunger Gaby azanne Collins is a futuristic dystopian novel in which gambling has a central role. The annual Hunger Games themselves begin with a lottery to determine which two young "tributes" from each of the nation's 12 districts will be forced to fight one another to the death until only one "victor" is left. During the games, rich people in the Capitol bet on and sponsor the "tributes" whom they believe have the best chance at ultimate survival. Their own children, who live in the Capitol, do not have to participate in the Hunger Games. They instead have the luxury of watching from afar the visually stimulating yet gruesome media spectacle featured on TV each year.

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