

# The Hunger Games Reading Guide

Complete the paragraphs with key words as you read the chapter.

## Chapter 1

Today is the day of the (1.) \_\_\_\_\_. My mother and sister, (2.) \_\_\_\_\_ are still sleeping. I am going into the woods to (3.) \_\_\_\_\_. It is so nice, my sister left me some (4.) \_\_\_\_\_ cheese. I live in District 12 which we call the (5.) \_\_\_\_\_. I must get past the \_\_\_\_\_ fence to enter the woods. I usually hunt using a (7.) \_\_\_\_\_ and (8.) \_\_\_\_\_. My father taught me to hunt but he (9.) \_\_\_\_\_ in a mine explosion when I was eleven years old. Hunting and trespassing in the woods is (10.) \_\_\_\_\_ but necessary for survival. If not my family may (11.) \_\_\_\_\_ to death. Our country is called (12.) \_\_\_\_\_. I make money in the black market called the (13.) \_\_\_\_\_.

Today, I am meeting my friend, (14.) \_\_\_\_\_ in the woods to hunt. He looks like he could be my brother. We both have (15.) \_\_\_\_\_ hair, (16.) \_\_\_\_\_ skin and (17.) \_\_\_\_\_ eyes but we are not related. My mom and Prim have (18.) \_\_\_\_\_ hair and (19.) \_\_\_\_\_ eyes. My mother's parents used to run an apothecary shop in District 12. Gale and I must provide for our families or else we would run away to avoid the reaping. Today we are taking a dozen fish, a bag of green and a gallon of strawberries to the Hob to trade. Greasy (20.) \_\_\_\_\_ exchanges some greens for some paraffin wax. Our next stop is the Mayor's house. He will buy our strawberries. His daughter (21.) \_\_\_\_\_ is my friend in school. There is little chance she will be called during the reaping. She has never had to ask for (22.) \_\_\_\_\_. Every tessera is worth a grain and oil for one person for one (23.) \_\_\_\_\_. Gale and I have each taken tesserae every year for each of the members of our families. Therefore, our names have been entered many times in the reaping.

Later that day at the reaping we hear the familiar story of the Hunger Games. During the reaping one boy and one girl from each District is chosen to participate as (24.) \_\_\_\_\_ in the Hunger Games. The tributes compete in a fight to the death. The last tribute alive, (25.) \_\_\_\_\_. The whole thing is on television so that every citizen of Panem can watch. District 12 has one famous winner, (26.) \_\_\_\_\_ Abernathy. He is a drunk, unhealthy, middle-aged man. He makes a fool out of himself every year during the reaping. Effie Trinket reaches into the girl's bowl first. The name she reads is not my own, but (27.) \_\_\_\_\_.

Ch 1 Answers:

1. reaping, 2. Prim, 3. hunt, 4. goat, 5. Seam, 6. electric, 7. bow, 8. arrow, 9. died, 10. illegal, 11. starve, 12. Panem, 13. Hob, 14. Gale, 15. black, 16. olive, 17. gray, 18. light, 19. blue, 20. Sae, 21. Madge, 22. tesserae, 23. year, 24. tributes, 25. wins, 26. Haymitch, 27. Primrose Everdeen.

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